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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-264)

SUBJECT: FREEBUS  
*Freedom Riders - MISC.*  
Re mytel July 7.

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*pr* On 7/7/61 Chief Deputy, FRANK JONES, Hinds County Sheriff's Office, Jackson, Miss., advised that the following freedom rider prisoners, who had been confined to the MSP, Parchman, Miss., had been returned to Jackson, Miss. 7/7/61 and released on \$500 cash appeal bond that date:

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Above for information Bureau.

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TO SAC NEWARK

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

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FREEBUS, RM. REURAIRTEL JULY TEN LAST CAPTIONED CONGRESS OF RACIAL  
EQUALITY, RACIAL MATTERS, AND KX TEL ELEVENTH INSTANT CAPTIONED  
CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY, AKA FREEDOM RIDERS, ETC., RACIAL  
MATTERS. IMMEDIATELY DEVELOP FULL DETAILS CONCERNING THE PLANNED  
FREEDOM RIDE AND KEEP THE BUREAU AND KX CURRENTLY ADVISED OF ALL  
DEVELOPMENTS. UNLESS YOUR FILES CONTAIN INFORMATION INDICATING  
THAT IT WOULD BE UNWISE, YOU SHOULD CONSIDER MAKING DIRECT CONTACT  
WITH [REDACTED] AND/OR LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES OF CORE  
IN ORDER THAT YOU WILL BE IN A POSITION TO BE FULLY INFORMED AT  
ALL TIMES OF ANY FREEDOM RIDES ORIGINATING IN YOUR DIVISION. *CS*  
SUTEL BY NOON JULY TWELVE.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-264

FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS

FREEBUS. SHERIFF J. R. GILFOY, HINDS COUNTY, JACKSON, MISS.,

ADVISED FIVE ONE FR PRISONERS TRANSFERRED FROM JACKSON CITY

AND HINDS COUNTY JAILS TO MSP, PARCHMAN, MISS., JULY ELEVEN.

IDENTITIES FOLLOW BY AIRTEL. NO FR PRISONERS ARRESTED OR RELEASED

ON BOND OR OTHERWISE SINCE JULY TEN SUMMARY. FOLLOWING IS

SUMMARY AS OF FOUR P. M. , JULY ELEVEN. TOTAL ARRESTED TWO TWO

SEVEN. RELEASED ON BOND EIGHT ZERO. PAID FINES FOUR. RELEASED

TO ATTORNEY ONE. NET IN CUSTODY ONE FOUR TWO. ALL FR PRISONERS

EATING AT JACKSON CITY AND HINDS COUNTY JAILS.

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*Freedom Riders - misc*

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

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IMMEDIATELY ADVISE APPROPRIATE LOCAL AND STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT  
AGENCIES OF THE SCHEDULE OF THE BUS CARRYING THE FREEDOM  
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TO SACS EL PASO, DALLAS, HOUSTON, AND NEW ORLEANS

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-373)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (157-391)

SUBJECT: RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS  
FREEDOM RIDE, 1961RM; CR  
(OO:NEW ORLEANS)

RePittsburgh airtel to Bureau, 7/6/61.

Albany airtel to Bureau, dated 6/12/61, captioned "FREEBUS; RM", set forth a list of Cornell University students who left Ithaca, NY, on 6/12/61, for Nashville, Tennessee to attend CORE workshop there, prior to acting as Freedom Riders. The Albany source for this information was not set forth.

Included in this list was [redacted] whose parent was listed as [redacted] NY.

A review of NYO files indicates that [redacted] mentioned above, is identical with the subject of Summary Report of SA [redacted] Pittsburgh, 1/14/52, which report contains all pertinent subversive information concerning [redacted]

Reairtel furnished NYO with the identities of various sources who had furnished information concerning [redacted] CP activities in the Pittsburgh area during the period 1943-1949, which is referred to in the preceding paragraph. However, Pittsburgh did not furnish NYO with information concerning the reliability of these sources and NYO possesses no information in this regard.

- 3 - Bureau (157-373) (RM)  
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In view of the above, Pittsburgh, since it is in possession of all pertinent information concerning [redacted] is requested to furnish the Bureau and New Orleans with letter-head memorandum suitable for dissemination, containing this information, and captioned as instant airtel.

Albany is requested to furnish Pittsburgh with the identity of the source who furnished information concerning [redacted] set forth in Albany airtel, dated 6/12/61.

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July 11, 1961

[Redacted Address]

Carbondale, Illinois

Dear [Redacted Name]

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REC'D-READING ROOM  
FBI

Your letter of July 1, 1961, with enclosure, has been received, and I appreciate your interest in forwarding me your observations.

In response to the matter you discussed, I would like to point out that information in the files of the FBI is confidential and available only for official use. You should not, however, infer either that we do or do not have data regarding the individual you mentioned. A policy of long standing precludes my commenting on any matter which involves legislation.

This Bureau has no jurisdiction regarding naturalization matters; therefore, a copy of your communication is being forwarded to the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, U. S. Department of Justice, 119 D Street, Northeast, Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. Bufiles reflect that [Redacted Name] is a member of the South Side Branch of the Chicago chapter of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, (FPCC) and traveled to Cuba on 12-23-60 for the Holiday Tour to Cuba sponsored by the FPCC. In 1960 she participated in a picket demonstration in front of the Woolworth Store Chicago. She appears to be a person of low moral character [Redacted Name] about

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two years ago. The Bureau considered interviewing her, and when she was located during March, 1961, she was living with four young men and refused to be interviewed unless questions were first submitted in writing, and she had counsel of an attorney.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director of the F. B. I.  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Director:-----

No doubt you have seen the attached AP report  
on the "Freedom Riders" out of Jackson, Mississippi.

And, you - no doubt - have a record of each of  
the 202 persons who attended the Seminar in Cuba - conducted  
by the Russians - as well as of [redacted] who  
is attending the University of California.

It would be interesting, to me, to know if her  
parents were Naturalized Citizens or Native Americans and if  
there is any kind of punishment that can be dealt out to peo-  
ple of this caliber. To me - she is a Traitor along with the  
other 202 and should be treated as such.

If there is NO LAW to handle people like this  
it seems to me that NOW is the time to get a LAW ENACTED - A  
LAW with TEETH in IT and I am sure that there are many Senators  
who would be glad to introduce such a Law.

Sincerely, RE

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"Never forget a friend - Never let a friend forget you"

CORRESPONDENCE

"Rider" Attended Red Seminar in Cuba.

Jackson, Miss. -- (AP) --

Mississippi Highway Patrol investigators charged Thursday "Freedom Riders" were Communist-inspired, directed and encouraged.

Commissioner of Public Safety T. B. Birdsong told a news conference at least two riders arrested during desegregation attempts in Jackson had participated in a Soviet-directed Seminar in Cuba designed to teach students how to sit-in, walk-in, kneel-in and freedom ride.

The Patrol Chief said he had set up a special section to deal with Communist influences in the state after digging into the background of the 164 Freedom Riders who were arrested since May 2.

Birdsong said the ~~Communist~~ Riders were "Communist-backed, pawns in the hands of Communist powers that be".

*MS - Cuba Bureau 1940*  
Birdsong said he knew definitely of two riders who had attended the Cuba meeting last February. He identified them as Katherine Pleune, 21, of Chicago, a white mimeograph machine operator; and James Robert Wahlstrom, 24 year old, white, University of Wisconsin student.

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Last week, Gordon Cary of St. Louis, field director of the Congress of Racial Equality, told newsmen he had thought up the idea of freedom rides last February.

Birdsong released information given by Miss Pleune concerning the Cuba Meeting.

He quoted her as saying she was part of a group of 202 persons who went to Havana to hear a lecture by Dictator Fidel Castro and his government officials on his intentions concerning the United States.

Instead, she said, the meeting turned out to be a seminar conducted by nine officials of the Soviet Union. She said Castro also addressed the seminar.

Miss Pleune declined to disclose either the purpose of the seminar, the discussions or who else was present. She also refused to state whether she was a member of the Communist Party.

Miss Pleune said she was a native of Newark. Her father is dead and her mother lives in South Orange, N. J.

One sister, Jean Pleune, a 22 year old University of California student, was arrested and jailed on breach of peace charges in another desegregation attempt.

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URGENT 7-11-61 11-02 AM CST NW  
TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-264  
FROM SAC, LITTLE ROCK 157-111

FREEBUS, CR, RM. REMYTEL, JULY TEN LAST. FOUR FREEDOM RIDERS  
ARRESTED JULY TEN AT LITTLE ROCK, APPEARED LITTLE ROCK MUNICIPAL  
COURT MORNING JULY ELEVEN, CASE PASSED UNTIL JULY TWELVE, AND  
RIDERS RETURNED TO JAIL IN LIEU OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR BOND.  
CHIEF OF POLICE R. E. GLASSCOCK, LRPD, ADVISED HAD RECEIVED  
TELEPHONE CALL FROM SHERIFF, CADDO COUNTY, LA., MORNING JULY  
NINE, REQUESTING TO BE IMMEDIATELY ADVISED OF ACTIVITIES OF  
RIDERS AND TIME OF THEIR DEPARTURE FROM LITTLE ROCK.

[REDACTED] CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED THAT TWO DEPUTY  
SHERIFFS FROM SHREVEPORT WERE IN LITTLE ROCK NIGHT JULY TEN TO  
OBSERVE ARRIVAL OF FREEDOM RIDERS AND POLICE ACTION TAKEN. THESE  
MEN DID NOT WANT THEIR PRESENCE KNOWN EVEN TO LRPD. ABOVE BEING  
FURNISHED FOR INFO NEW ORLEANS IN VIEW OF APPARENT CONCERN OF  
CADDO COUNTY SO. RACIAL INFORMANTS, TEXARKANA AREA, HAVE BEEN  
ALERTED TO IMMEDIATELY FURNISH LITTLE ROCK OFFICE ANY INFO  
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CONCERNING POSSIBLE ACTION AGAINST FREEDOM RIDERS. BUREAU AND NEW ORLEANS WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS. ST. LOUIS AND NEW YORK ADVISED AIR MAIL.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI *Operation Riders - M*

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 44-1314 1P

SEGREGATION IN INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION , CR, RM. REURTEL  
JULY TEN, LAST. ALL INDIVIDUALS NAMED RETEL EXCEPT [REDACTED]  
MOVED TO MSP, PARCHMAN, MISS., MORNING JULY ELEVEN, BY HINDS  
COUNTY SHERIFF J. R. GILFOY, WHO HAS NOT BEEN NOTIFIED OF  
INSTANT INVESTIGATION. MEMPHIS HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO CONDUCT  
INTERVIEWS AT PARCHMAN AND NOTIFY GILFOY OF INVESTIGATION,  
AFTER WHICH [REDACTED] WILL BE INTERVIEWED AT JACKSON, MISS. WHERE  
HE IS STILL IN HINDS COUNTY JAIL. [REDACTED] NOT MOVED DUE TO FACT  
HE IS A JUVENILE.

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The Attorney General

July 14, 1961

Director, FBI

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*RIDERS - MISC.*  
FREEDOM RIDE 1961

RACIAL MATTERS; DESTRUCTION OF  
AIRCRAFT OR MOTOR VEHICLES; CIVIL RIGHTS

Four Negroes sat at a lunch counter in a Walgreen drugstore at Jackson, Mississippi, on July 13, 1961, and were arrested when they refused to move upon being instructed to do so by the police. Advance information concerning this sit-in was furnished to the press by the Jackson Nonviolent Movement.

The four freedom riders who were arrested at Little Rock, Arkansas, on July 10, 1961, were released on July 12, 1961, with suspended sentences on the condition that they return home. They later rejected this condition and surrendered to the police on July 12, 1961. On July 13, 1961, they appeared in Municipal Court and were again released with the understanding that they would immediately leave Arkansas without further testing facilities in the state.

The four freedom riders who were arrested and released at Little Rock plan to continue their freedom ride and they expect to arrive at Shreveport, Louisiana, by Trailways bus at 11:20 a.m., July 14, 1961. [redacted] Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) representative in Shreveport, advised that the freedom riders will not test facilities upon their arrival in Shreveport.

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Information has been received to the effect that ten freedom riders plan to leave Santa Monica, California, on July 28, 1961. The destination of this group is not yet known.

[redacted] Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), has advised that twenty-seven SNCC delegates will hold a bimonthly board meeting in Baltimore from July 14 to July 16, 1961. The Civic Interest Group is acting as host. On July 13, 1961, [redacted] said that he planned to come to Washington to contact the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) and perhaps the Civil Rights Division (CRD) because SNCC had received no reply to letters written to these agencies requesting audiences to discuss the rights of Negroes in the South.

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## The Attorney General

According to [ ] the freedom walk from Baltimore to Washington, D. C. on July 16, 1961, has not been definitely scheduled since such an activity would require the approval of the Civic Interest Group as well as the SNCC delegates. SNCC delegates do plan to contact Adam Clayton Powell, other Members of Congress, the office of the Chairman of the ICC and the CRD on July 17, 1961, to request civil rights action. If ICC and the CRD refuse to see the delegates [ ] anticipates that some action will be taken to dramatize injustices suffered by Negroes in the South. He explained that this action might be in the form of a sit-in, picketing or contacts with Congressmen and Government officials.

Five freedom riders who originally intended to go to Chattanooga, Tennessee, left New York City on July 13, 1961, by bus and were accommodated without incident at the Thomas Jefferson Inn, Charlottesville, Virginia, on the evening of July 13, 1961. They have changed their plans and apparently they no longer intend to go to Chattanooga. It is anticipated that on July 14, 1961, details will be available concerning the further itinerary of these freedom riders.

Further developments will be reported to the Department promptly.

- 1 - Mr. Byron R. White  
Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General  
Burke Marshall
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General  
Herbert J. Miller, Jr.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *AB*

DATE: 7-12-61

FROM : A. Rosen *ARM*ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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Two hundred twenty-seven freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, since 5-24-61. Eighty have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines and one has been released without the filing of charges. One hundred forty-two remain in custody.

Two Negro males sixteen and eighteen years of age were arrested in Jackson 7-11-61 when they took seats at the lunch counter in a Walgreen's drug store and failed to move on when instructed to do so by the police.

Trial of the four freedom riders who were arrested at Little Rock on 7-10-61 was postponed until 7-12-61. The freedom riders were returned to jail in lieu of \$500 bond each.

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advised in confidence that two deputy sheriffs from Shreveport were in Little Rock on the night of 7-10-61 to observe the arrival of the freedom riders and the manner in which the situation was handled by the Little Rock Police Department (LRPD). The deputy sheriffs did not even want the LRPD to be aware of their presence.

It has previously been reported that there have been discussions concerning a proposed freedom ride to terminate in Chattanooga. It has been reported in the press that seven freedom riders including three clergymen will leave Newark on the night of 7-12-61 for a trip to Chattanooga. It was stated that the trip is sponsored by thirteen New Jersey organizations including the State CIO Council and the Americans for Democratic Action. The Newark police have advised that the Committee for the Support of Freedom Riders has requested permission to hold a public rally at 8:00 p.m., 7-12-61. James Farmer, National Director, Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), is scheduled to speak. Chattanooga police are cognizant and Newark is developing details.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

In connection with the proposed freedom walk from Baltimore, Maryland, to Washington, D. C., which is reportedly scheduled for 7-16-61, CORE headquarters in New York state that they do not believe CORE is connected with this matter and that they are unable to furnish any details concerning it. Other offices are attempting to develop details.

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ACTION:

A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

*Rosen* *C. M.* *E. J.*  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: July 11, 1961

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: FREEBUS

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DATE 10-09-2009 BY 60324 UC BAW/SAB/STW

SYNOPSIS:

Thirty-four freedom riders arrested Jackson, Mississippi, 7-7,8,9-61, convicted 7-10-61. Each to serve four months and fined \$200.

Three 15 year old Negro freedom riders arrested 7-9-61 at Jackson were not tried but will be handled in youth court.

Two hundred twenty-seven freedom riders arrested at Jackson since 5-24-61. Eighty released on bond, four released after paying fines, one released without charges and 142 remain in custody.

Sixteen individuals are said to be firmly committed to engage in freedom ride from Los Angeles to Jackson 7-12-61. Eight others have made tentative commitments.

[redacted] who is to make freedom ride from Los Angeles 7-12-61, was Communist Party member in 1944-45.

Proposed freedom ride from University of Minnesota cannot be organized allegedly due to summer recess.

Press quotes Milwaukee clergyman as announcing plans for a 100-member freedom ride to Jackson. Details being developed.

A Communist Party leader in Seattle has indicated an interest in organizing a freedom ride similar to the one from Los Angeles to Jackson.

At request of Civil Rights Division interviews being conducted with nine individuals arrested in Jackson, Mississippi, bus station and railroad station 7-5-61 and 7-6-61. This is in connection with a hearing 7-20-61 on a petition the Department has filed with Interstate Commerce Commission.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

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9 JUL 13 1961

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

Hearing in U. S. District Court, Jackson, concerning petition for an order to protect freedom riders from arrest, was postponed from 7-10-61 to 8-27-61.

Five freedom riders left St. Louis 7-10-61 en route New Orleans. Four were arrested 7-10-61 upon entering bus station at Little Rock. The fifth one did not enter the bus station but remained outside to notify an attorney in the event arrests were made. Trial scheduled for 7-11-61.

St. Louis freedom riders anticipated possible trouble in Shreveport, Louisiana. Local authorities at Shreveport made detailed plans to escort the bus from the state line and to cover the bus station with police and Deputy Sheriffs. The Klan allegedly planned to have observers at the Shreveport bus station but did not intend to interfere if the police handled the situation.

Three hundred fifty Negroes returning to Chicago from Baptist convention at Nassau are scheduled to stop at Greyhound bus station, Ft. Pierce, Florida, 7-11-61. On their trip to Nassau they utilized the white cafeteria and restroom facilities at Ft. Pierce without incident.

Edward B. King, Jr., freedom ride leader, has been quoted in the press as stating he will lead a freedom walk from Baltimore to Washington, D. C. 7-16-61. King allegedly stated that there also would be a sit-in at some Government agency in Washington, D. C. No date was given for the sit-in. Details are being developed.

ACTION:

A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

*R. J. [signature]*

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

DETAILS:

Thirty-four freedom riders who were arrested in Jackson, Mississippi, on July 7, 8, and 9 were convicted on July 10, 1961. Each was sentenced to serve four months in jail and was fined \$200.

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[redacted] years of age, [redacted]  
[redacted] years of age, and [redacted]  
[redacted] years of age, all of whom were arrested July 9, 1961, were not tried but are being held by Hinds County juvenile authorities and will be handled in youth court at a later date.

Since May 24, 1961, 227 freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson. Eighty have been released on bond, four have been released upon payment of fines and one has been released without the filing of charges. One hundred forty-two remain in custody.

In connection with the freedom ride scheduled from Los Angeles to Jackson July 12, 1961, information has been received that 16 individuals are firmly committed to make the trip and eight others have made tentative commitments to participate.

*MISS. Conf.* One of those who reportedly will make the freedom ride from Los Angeles is [redacted] In 1952 [redacted] admitted to Bureau Agents that he had been a member of the Communist Party in 1944 and 1945. He stated he had joined the party because of racial discrimination but had left the party when he realized that they were using Negroes to advance communism. He denied any contact with the Communist Party since 1945.

It was previously reported that a group of freedom riders might proceed to Nashville from the University of Minnesota. Information has now been received indicating that due to summer recess it has not been possible to organize students into a freedom ride.

*WISC.* The Washington Daily News reported on July 10, 1961, that Reverend Raymond Lee Lathan, a Baptist clergyman in Milwaukee, had announced plans for a 100-member freedom ride to Jackson to test bus terminal facilities. This will be closely followed and the Milwaukee Office has been instructed to develop full details.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

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At a recent meeting of Northwest Youth for Progressive Action in Seattle, [redacted] Northwest District, Communist Party, USA, reportedly stated that she wished to determine whether a freedom ride could be organized in Seattle which would be similar to the freedom ride scheduled from Los Angeles to Jackson.

On July 10, 1961, the Civil Rights Division advised that the Department has filed a petition with the Interstate Commerce Commission and that a hearing is scheduled for July 20, 1961. In this connection it was requested that interviews be conducted with the three freedom riders who were arrested in the Trailways bus terminal at Jackson, Mississippi, July 5, 1961, and the six freedom riders who were arrested at the Illinois Central Depot in Jackson on July 6, 1961. All of these individuals apparently are residents of the Jackson area. The New Orleans Office has been instructed to expedite the interviews.

On June 9, 1961, three Negroes filed suit in U. S. District Court, Jackson, Mississippi, petitioning for a court order to protect freedom riders from arrest. A hearing scheduled for July 10, 1961, was postponed until August 27, 1961, due to illness of a defense attorney.

Five freedom riders left St. Louis by Trailways bus at 10:30 a.m., Central Daylight Time, July 10, 1961. They planned to spend the night in Little Rock and to proceed to Shreveport, Louisiana, and New Orleans on July 11, 1961.

The St. Louis group arrived in Little Rock at 7:47 p.m., Central Standard Time, July 10, 1961, and four of them entered the bus station. Approximately 250 people had gathered and the Little Rock Police Department felt that a disturbance might occur if the freedom riders did not leave. After they had been asked to leave twice and failed to comply, the four freedom riders were arrested for causing a public disturbance. They were held in lieu of \$500 bond each and were scheduled to appear in Little Rock Municipal Court at 8:30 a.m., Central Standard Time, July 11, 1961.

*MO. ARK* [redacted] the fifth freedom rider from St. Louis, did not enter the bus station at Little Rock and was released after being taken to the police station. She said that her job was to notify Little Rock attorney [redacted] in the event that the other four were arrested.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

Prior to the departure of the freedom riders from St. Louis, Charles R. Oldham, National Chairman, Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), St. Louis, advised that the group did not anticipate any difficulty with the possible exception of Shreveport, Louisiana. [redacted] CORE, New York, advised on July 10, 1961, that CORE representatives in Shreveport had stated that the situation there was very tense as a result of radio publicity given to the freedom ride. [redacted] said there were indications that the Klan might be active in Shreveport.

Local authorities at Shreveport made detailed plans to handle their arrival. A sheriff's car was to meet the bus at the Louisiana State line and police, as well as Deputy Sheriff's, were to be at the bus station. Arrangements were made to take photographs of people in the area of the bus depot. An informant advised that the Klan planned to have observers in the area of the bus station but did not intend to interfere as long as the situation was handled by the police.

A group of 350 Negroes who are attending a Baptist convention in Nassau are scheduled to return to Chicago in four Greyhound buses July 11, 1961, and are to stop at the Greyhound bus station at Ft. Pierce, Florida. On their trip to Nassau they utilized the white cafeteria and restroom facilities at the Ft. Pierce bus station without incident. Local authorities are cognizant.

The "Roanoke Times" has quoted Edward B. King, Jr., who has been active in the freedom ride movement, as stating that he is to lead a freedom walk from Baltimore, Maryland, to Washington, D. C. on July 16, 1961. It was stated that the purpose of the freedom walk is to focus the attention of the President, Congress and Government leaders on the imprisonment of freedom riders at Jackson, Mississippi, and the continuing segregation of interstate facilities. King also was reported to have said that a sit-in is planned in the office of some Government agency in Washington. No date was mentioned for the sit-in and King allegedly declined to elaborate. Pertinent field Divisions have been instructed to obtain full details of the freedom walk and the proposed sit-in.

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## Memorandum

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Callahan ✓  
Conrad ✓  
DeLoach ✓  
Evans ✓  
Malone ✓  
Rosen ✓  
Sullivan ✓  
Tavel ✓  
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Tele. Room ✓  
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Gandy ✓

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 7-10-61

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: FREEBUS

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One white male freedom rider was arrested in Jackson, Mississippi, 7-8-61 when he refused to comply with instructions from the police that he move on from the Negro waiting room at the railroad station. He gave a New York address.

Nine freedom riders, several of whom gave Los Angeles addresses, were arrested at Jackson on 7-9-61 upon their arrival by train from New Orleans. They failed to comply with police instructions that they move on.

Eight freedom riders who had previously gathered in Montgomery, Alabama, tested the facilities at the Trailways bus station in Montgomery on 7-9-61 and then proceeded to Jackson where they were arrested the same day.

Eleven freedom riders, apparently local residents, were arrested 7-9-61 when they entered the white waiting room at the Trailways bus terminal in Jackson and failed to move on when requested to do so by the police.

Two hundred twenty-seven freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since 5-24-61. Eighty have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines and one has been released without the filing of charges. One hundred forty-two remain in custody.

On 6-26-61 the Resident Agent at Jackson received a letter from [redacted] Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), Jackson, Mississippi. The letter alleged that the practice of placing freedom riders in the maximum security unit at the Mississippi State Penitentiary constituted "unnaturally harsh punishment" and requested that the Department make an official inquiry into conditions affecting the freedom riders confined in the penitentiary. A copy of this letter was furnished to the Attorney General on 6-27-61. On 7-9-61 [redacted] contacted the Resident Agency at Jackson and stated that since the Department has not contacted him regarding his letter, he contemplates telephoning [redacted]

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Trotter

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0 FREEDOM RIDERS-1961

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

[redacted] Student Central Committee, Nashville, Tennessee, advised on 7-8-61 that a group of freedom riders is expected to arrive in Nashville from the University of Minnesota on 7-10-61. [redacted] believed that the final destination of this group will be New Orleans. Local authorities advised and matter is being closely followed to develop further details.

[redacted] CORE, New Orleans, advised on 7-9-61 that a group of freedom riders plans to leave St. Louis by Trailways bus 7-10-61 enroute to Little Rock, Arkansas, Shreveport, Louisiana, and New Orleans. Local authorities have been advised and the matter is being closely followed to develop further details.

A Knoxville informant has advised that a representative of CORE in New York City has been in touch with a Negro minister in Chattanooga, Tennessee, for the purpose of discussing a proposed freedom ride to terminate in Chattanooga. No further details were available and it would appear that no detailed plans have been made as yet.

ACTION:

A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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Mr. Ingram	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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URGENT 7-14-61 1-34 AM EDST AM JPT  
TO DIRECTOR AND SACS KNOXVILLE, RICHMOND, AND NEW YORK  
NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FROM SAC, NEWARK /157-603/

FREE BUS, RM. RE RICHMOND TEL JULY THIRTEEN LAST.  

*Freedom Riders - Misc*

  CONFIDENTIALY ADVISED MEMBERS OF GROUP DEPARTED  
NYC TEN THIRTY AM, JULY THIRTEEN LAST VIA TRAILWAY BUS AND SCHEDULED  
TO ARRIVE CHARLOTTESVILLE ABOUT SIX THIRTY PM, JULY THIRTEEN LAST  
GROUP TO SPEND NIGHT AT THOMAS JEFFERSON INN MOTEL, CHARLOTTESVILLE.  
GROUP PLANS AS TO DEPARTURE OR ITINERARY FORM CHARLOTTESVILLE  
BELIEVED CHANGED AND UNKNOWN TO   WHO WILL FURNISH  
SAME AM JULY FOURTEEN INSTANT.

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FROM SAC, LITTLE ROCK 157-111

FREEBUS, CR, RM. REMYTEL JULY TWELVE LAST. FOUR FREEDOM

RIDERS APPEARED IN MUNICIPAL COURT THIS MORNING AND  
MISC  
SENTENCES WERE SUSPENDED UPON CONDITION THEY IMMEDIATELY

LEAVE ARKANSAS AND DO NOT TEST SEGREGATION FACILITIES

FURTHER ~~THEIR~~ IN ARKANSAS. MUNICIPAL JUDGE QUINN GLOVER URGED  
RIDERS TO RETURN HOME, BUT RIDERS INDICATED THEY WOULD  
PROCEED ON PLANNED TRIP. RIDERS HAVE NOT STATED WHEN THEY  
WILL DEPART, BUT LITTLE ROCK FOLLOWING CLOSELY AND WILL  
KEEP BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES ADVISED. NEW YORK  
ADVISED AIR MAIL.

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URGENT 7-12-61 5-36 PM CST LM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS

*Freedom Riders Misc*  
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FREEBUS. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF FOUR PM JULY TWELVE.  
TEN FR RELEASED ON BOND NIGHT OF JULY ELEVEN. IDENTITIES  
FOLLOW BY AIRTEL. NO FR ARRESTED SINCE JULY ELEVEN SUMMARY.  
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ON BOND NINETY. PAID FINE FOUR. RELEASED TO ATTORNEY ONE.  
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URGENT 7-14-61 1-48AM EDST JFB  
TO DIRECTOR AND SACS KNOXVILLE, NEWARK AND NEW YORK  
NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON  
FROM SAC RICHMOND /157-231/ 1P *Freedom Riders - Miss*  
FREE BUS, RM. RE MYTEL SEVEN THIRTEEN, SIXTYONE.

[REDACTED] ARRIVED CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA. BUS DEPOT SIX  
THIRTY P. M., SEVEN THIRTEEN, SIXTYONE. REGISTERED AT  
THOMAS JEFFERSON INN MOTEL, CHARLOTTESVILLE. NO INCIDENTS  
REPORTED. TIME OF DEPARTURE FROM CHARLOTTESVILLE UNKNOWN.  
BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES WILL BE ADVISED DEPARTURE  
TIME FROM CHARLOTTESVILLE AND PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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to Nashville*

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URGENT 7-11-61 8-49 PM EST CLH

TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEWARK

FROM SAC, KNOXVILLE 1P<sup>0</sup> *Freedom Riders-Misc*

CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY, AKA CORE, FREEDOM RIDERS, CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, JULY THIRTEEN, SIXTYONE. RACIAL MATTERS. REFERENCE KX AIRTEL TO BUREAU SEVEN SIX SIXTYONE. UPI RELEASE DATELINE NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, APPEARED CHATTANOOGA NEWS FREE PRESS, NIGHT OF SEVEN ELEVEN SIXTYONE, A DAILY PUBLICATION, CHATTANOOGA, TENN. REPORTS SEVEN NEW JERSEY FREEDOM RIDERS INCLUDING THREE CLERGYMEN WILL LEAVE WEDNESDAY NIGHT, SEVEN TWELVE SIXTYONE, FOR TRIP TO CHATTANOOGA, TENN. EXPEDITION SPONSORED BY GROUP COMPOSED OF THIRTEEN NEW JERSEY ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING STATE CIO COUNCIL AND THE AMERICANS FOR DEMOCRATIC ACTION. NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE. CIC AGENT AND CHATTANOOGA PD AWARE OF ABOVE INFO. NEWARK ADVISE BUREAU AND KNOXVILLE ANY INFO RE PLANNED TRIP AND EXPECTED TIME OF ARRIVAL CHATTANOOGA IF AVAILABLE.

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(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO  
RE: CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY (CORE)  
AT WACO, TEXAS, 7/13/61  
RACIAL MATTERS

*Freedom Riders. Misc*

At 5:00 p.m., on 7/12/61, [redacted] Greyhound bus terminal, Waco, Texas, telephonically advised SA [redacted] that he had been advised by his company that a Greyhound bus with 17 Freedom Riders as passengers en route from California to the East Coast, was scheduled to arrive in Waco, Texas, at 11:50 p.m., on 7/13/61. A twenty minute stopover was scheduled at Waco, Texas, and the Freedom Riders would depart in the bus at 12:10 a.m., July 14, 1961. This regularly scheduled bus is due to arrive from Fort. Worth, Texas, and will depart Waco for Houston, Texas. All the facilities at the bus terminal will be available to both Negro and white patrons who are passengers on the bus and he, [redacted] anticipates no racial troubles unless the ride is publicized by the Core Group.

Chief of Police JESSE GUNTERMAN, Waco, Texas, Police Department, is aware of the above information.

At 11:00 a.m., July 13, 1961, Colonel HOMER GARRISON, JR., Director, Texas Department of Public Safety, advised SA GEORGE W. H. CARLSON that a group of Freedom Riders were scheduled to arrive at Waco, Texas, at 11:50 p.m., 7/13/61, via Greyhound bus No. 642. He stated that his information indicated that these riders were en route from California and were scheduled to proceed to Houston on 7/14/61, after a short lay-over at Waco, Texas. This matter will be followed and the Bureau will be advised of any incidents which occur.

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Special Agent in Charge

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URGENT 7-13-61 7-53 PM CST BCB

TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-336/

FROM SAC, LITTLE ROCK /157-111/ 1P

*Freedom Riders - miscellaneous*  
FREEBUS, RM, CR. RE NO TEL SEVEN THIRTEEN INSTANT. [REDACTED]

*Core of Rock Riders*  
[REDACTED] CORE, AND CURRENT FREEDOM RIDER ADVISED THAT

*m3* HIS GROUP WILL LEAVE LITTLE ROCK AS SET OUT IN RE NO TEL. [REDACTED]

STATED FOUR RIDERS WOULD MAKE TRIP TO SHREVEPORT AS HE HAD SENT

[REDACTED] BACK TO ST. LOUIS NIGHT SEVEN TWELVE LAST. IT WILL

BE NECESSARY TO MAKE A BUS CONNECTION AT TEXARKANA NINE TWENTYFIVE  
AM TO ENABLE RIDERS TO ARRIVE SHREVEPORT ELEVEN TWENTY AM. LITTLE  
ROCK FOLLOWING CLOSELY AND WILL ADVISE SHREVEPORT RA WHEN RIDERS  
DEPART TEXARKANA. ASPOL, TEXARKANA, PD, LRPD, AND CIC ADVISED.  
AIRMAIL COPIES TO ST. LOUIS AND NEW YORK.

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FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-333)

SUBJECT: FREEBUS  
RM; CR

*Freedom Riders - Misc.*

Remytel 6:30 p.m., 7/9/61, re 8 Freedom Riders arrested Trailways Bus Terminal, Jackson, Miss., 7/9/61. Name of one Freedom Rider listed in teletype as ALBERT GORDON FORREST. This name should be ALBERT FORREST GORDON. PD had names reversed on record.

Above for info Bureau.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI, AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-264

FROM SAC, LITTLE ROCK 157-111

*Freedom Riders - Miscellaneous*  
FREEBUS, CR, RM. RMYTEL EARLIER TODAY. COP, LITTLE ROCK PD,

CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED THAT FREEDOM RIDERS LEAVING LITTLE ROCK  
FOUR AM, JULY FOURTEEN NEXT, EN ROUTE SHREVEPORT VIA TRAILWAYS  
BUS. THIS BUS DOES NOT GO DIRECTLY TO SHREVEPORT AND RIDERS  
WILL HAVE TO CHANGE BUSES AT TEXARKANA. BUS SCHEDULE REFLECTS  
RIDERS WILL ARRIVE TEXARKANA NINE FIFTEEN AM AND NEXT SCHEDULED  
BUS FOR SHREVEPORT DEPARTS ONE TWENTY PM. LOCAL AUTHORITIES  
TEXARKANA AREA BEING ADVISED AND LITTLE ROCK WILL KEEP BUREAU  
AND NEW ORLEANS ADVISED OF FRTHER DEVELOPMENTS. NEW YORK  
AND ST. LOUIS ADVISED AIR MAIL.

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*Freedom Riders - Misc*

TO DIRECTOR, FBI , SAC-S NEW ORLEANS, EL PASO, PHOENIX, AND SEATTLE  
FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES /157-363/ 3P  
PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDERS TRIP TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, LEAVING  
LOS ANGELES JULY TWELVE INSTANT AM. RE MYTEL JULY SIX AND AIRTEL  
JULY SEVENTH INSTANT. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED TODAY THAT FOLLOWING DEPARTED VIA GREYHOUND BUS FROM LOS  
ANGELES EIGHT THIRTY AM TODAY ENROUTE TO JACKSON MISSISSIPPI VIA  
PHOENIX, EL PASO, AND NEW ORLEANS. [REDACTED]

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CALIFORNIA. INFORMANT, WHO PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED NAMES OF THOSE SCHEDULED TO GO AS SET OUT IN REFERENCED AIRTEL, ALSO ADVISED THIS DATE THAT MOST OF THOSE ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED TO GO WITHDREW FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER AND THE OTHERS CAME IN AT THE LAST MINUTE. INFORMANT ADVISED BUS DEPARTED THIS DATE WITH ABOVE NAMED AND IN ADDITION A [REDACTED] FROM SEATTLE AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA. INFORMANT STATES [REDACTED] IS ALSO KNOWN AS [REDACTED] ATTORNEYS ROSE ROSENBERG AND [REDACTED] ALSO KNOWN AS [REDACTED] ARE BOTH WELL KNOWN COMMUNIST PARTY ATTORNEYS IN LOS ANGELES. BOTH HAVE LONG HISTORY OF CP AND RELATED ACTIVITIES. [REDACTED] IS BELIEVED TO BE IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED] WHO HAS RECENTLY BECOME ACTIVE IN CP FRONT GROUP YOUTH ACTIVITIES IN LOS ANGELES. NO SUBVERSIVE INFORMATION

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IN LOS ANGELES FILES READILY IDENTIFIABLE WITH OTHERS NAMED ABOVE.  
SEATTLE WILL CHECK INDICES ON [REDACTED] OF SEATTLE, NO ADDRESS  
OR OTHER DESCRIPTIVE DATA AVAILABLE, AND WILL ADVISE BUREAU AND  
NEW ORLEANS BY LETTERHEAD MEMO IF ANY PERTINENT SUBVERSIVE  
INFORMATION. LOS ANGELES WILL SUBMIT LETTERHEAD MEMO ON  
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## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 7/13/61

FROM : A. Rosen

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SUBJECT: FREEBUS

FREEDOM RIDERS - MISS.

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Two hundred twenty-seven freedom riders arrested Jackson, Mississippi, since 5/24/61. Ninety released on bond, four released after paying fines, one released without charges and 132 remain in custody.

Judge Wisdom, 5th Circuit Court of Appeals, issued certificate of probable cause for [redacted] who may now appeal findings of U. S. District Court that she was not entitled to writ of habeas corpus. [redacted] was arrested as a freedom rider at Jackson, 6/2/61.

Thirteen freedom riders left Los Angeles 7/12/61 by Greyhound Bus to arrive New Orleans 3:20 p.m., 7/14/61, en route to Jackson.

Los Angeles group includes attorneys Rose Rosenberg and [redacted] who have records of Communist Party activity. Another member of the group may be engaged in communist front activities.

Four freedom riders who were arrested at Little Rock, 7/10/61, sentenced 7/12/61 to six months and \$500 but released on condition they return home. Subsequently instructed by CORE to surrender to Little Rock police as their return home would defeat the purpose of CORE. Surrendered to police 7/12/61 and hearing scheduled 7/14/61.

Freedom ride scheduled 7/12/61 from Newark to Chattanooga is now leaving from New York 7/13/61 and is spending the night at Charlottesville.

Group anticipates difficulties at Thomas Jefferson Inn Motel, Charlottesville, where they have reservations. The motel does not know they are an integrated group.

Above group will leave Charlottesville 7/14/61 to arrive Chattanooga that evening. Will test rest room facilities between Roanoke and Chattanooga and will obey police in these tests but will not obey proprietors of bus stops where rest rooms are located.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

Upon arrival in Chattanooga the lunch counter and rest room in the bus terminal will be tested. If police interfere, riders will be joined by local members of CORE. If police do not interfere the freedom riders will join a public rally planned by CORE, Chattanooga.

CORE, Chattanooga, negotiating to desegregate bus terminal before freedom riders arrive. If freedom riders arrested, they plan to stay in jail one or two months.

Seventeen members of American Nazi Party picketed at Union Station, Washington, D. C., 7-12-61 when freedom riders of NAACP arrived from Philadelphia.

Five members of Fighting American Nationalists, which is loosely affiliated with American Nazi Party, also picketed at Union Station.

Proposed freedom walk from Baltimore to Washington 7-16-61 reportedly will be made by 100 students in connection with annual board meeting of Students Nonviolent Coordinating Committee to be held in Baltimore 7/14-16/61.

ACTION:

A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

DETAILS

Ten additional freedom riders previously arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, have now been released on bond. Two hundred twenty-seven arrests have been made since 5-24-61. Ninety have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines and one has been released without the filing of charges. One hundred thirty-two remain in custody.

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[redacted] a freedom rider who was arrested at Jackson 6-2-61, was previously denied a writ of habeas corpus in U. S. District Court at Jackson, and was also denied a certificate of probable cause. On 7-12-61 Judge John Minor Wisdom, Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, New Orleans, issued a certificate of probable cause in order that [redacted] may appeal the findings of the District Court if she desires to do so.

Thirteen freedom riders left Los Angeles by Greyhound bus at 8:15 a.m., 7-12-61, en route to Jackson via Phoenix, El Paso and New Orleans. The bus is scheduled to arrive in New Orleans at 3:20 p.m., Central Standard Time, 7-14-61. It is not known whether they will proceed immediately to Jackson from New Orleans, but similar groups in the past have stopped over in New Orleans before continuing the trip to Jackson. Appropriate local and state law enforcement agencies have been advised of this trip.

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[redacted] Greater Cornerstone Baptist Church, Los Angeles, is said to be the spokesman for the Los Angeles freedom riders. Included in the group are Rose Rosenberg and [redacted] attorneys who have long histories of Communist Party activities. [redacted] who is also with the group, is believed to be identical with one [redacted] who has recently become active in Communist Party front group youth activities in Los Angeles. [redacted] is also known as [redacted]

The four freedom riders who were arrested in Little Rock on 7-10-61 were found guilty on 7-12-61. Each was fined \$500 and sentenced to serve six months. However, the sentences were suspended on the condition that the freedom riders discontinue their trip and return to their homes. Although the freedom riders agreed to return home [redacted] [redacted] advised in confidence that he believed they would continue to New Orleans in spite of the condition set by the court.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

The four freedom riders mentioned above surrendered themselves to the Little Rock Police Department on the evening of 7-12-61 and were confined to the city jail to appear in Municipal Court 7-13-61. Chief of Police R. E. Glasscock confidentially advised that [redacted] stated that news services throughout the country had reported that the freedom riders had agreed to return to their homes whereupon Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) officials telephoned [redacted] to state that the action taken by the freedom riders defeated the purpose of CORE and instructed that the freedom riders were to remain in Little Rock.

The freedom riders who were originally scheduled to leave Newark 7-12-61 for Chattanooga are now scheduled to depart from New York City by Greyhound bus 7-13-61 to arrive at Charlottesville, Virginia, at 3:00 p.m., 7-13-61.

The following information concerning the freedom riders to Chattanooga was furnished by [redacted] at Newark. It is anticipated that the group will consist of four or five individuals and they intend to occupy separate seats from New York to Charlottesville in order that they will not be recognizable as a group. At Charlottesville they will attempt to spend the night at the Thomas Jefferson Inn motel where they have confirmed reservations. The group anticipates difficulty at the motel because they have not informed the motel that they are an integrated group.

The above group is scheduled to leave Charlottesville on the morning of 7-14-61 to proceed to Chattanooga, Tennessee, by bus where they expect to arrive at 6:00 or 8:00 p.m., 7-14-61. Appropriate law enforcement agencies have been informed of this trip.

Between Roanoke, Virginia, and Chattanooga the bus is scheduled to make several rest stops where the group plans to test segregated rest rooms. Since the stops are not controlled by Interstate Commerce Commission regulations the group plans to observe local segregation laws if they are ordered to do so by police but they will ignore orders of proprietors that they use facilities on a segregated basis. Upon arrival in Chattanooga they intend to test the rest room and lunch counter in the bus terminal. If the police interfere with their efforts to test the facilities at Chattanooga the freedom riders will reportedly be joined by local members of CORE. If the police do not interfere the group of freedom riders will join a public rally planned by the Chattanooga chapter of CORE.

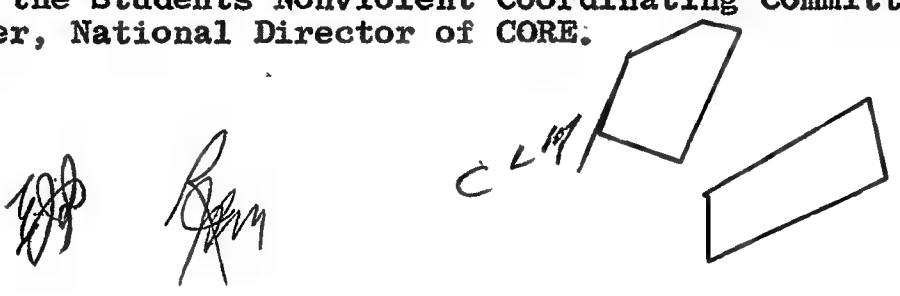
If the freedom riders are arrested at Chattanooga they plan to remain in jail for one or two months. Reverend C. T. Vivian, Chattanooga representative of CORE, is presently negotiating with local authorities in an attempt to end segregation at the bus terminal before the freedom riders arrive.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

The so-called freedom train bearing delegates from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) convention at Philadelphia arrived in Washington at 9:40 a.m., 7-12-61. Twelve hundred seventy-six members of the NAACP proceeded from the train to the New Senate Office Building where a meeting was held. Seventeen members of the American Nazi Party picketed at Union Station from 9:30 a.m. until 11:35 a.m., 7/12/61. They wore khaki uniforms with swastika arm bands and carried signs such as "Down With NAACP," "Black Freedom Means Rape" and "God Bless Lincoln Rockwell." George Lincoln Rockwell, head of the American Nazi Party, reportedly was not in uniform and remained some distance away from the pickets. D.C.

Five members of the Fighting American Nationalists also picketed at Union Station during the time that the American Nazi Party was there. The Fighting American Nationalists reportedly was organized under the guidance of Rockwell but is not formally connected with the American Nazi Party.

In connection with the proposed freedom walk from Baltimore to Washington, D. C., 7-16-61, the "Afro American" in Baltimore has reported that the freedom walk is in connection with an annual board meeting of the Students Nonviolent Coordinating Committee to be held in Baltimore 7-14-61 to 7-16-61 with the Civic Interest group in Baltimore acting as host organization. More than one hundred student leaders from sixteen states allegedly will participate in the freedom walk to dramatize injustice in the South. Speakers at the annual board meeting reportedly will include Martin Luther King, National Advisor of the Students Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, and James Farmer, National Director of CORE.



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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC LITTLE ROCK

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-336/ 1P

*Freedom Riders*  
FREEBUS., RM, CR. [REDACTED] CORE REPRESENTATIVE, SHREVEPORT,

LA., ADVISED THAT FREEDOM RIDERS WILL LEAVE LITTLE ROCK, FOUR

*per* AM, JULY FOURTEEN NEXT BY TRAILWAYS BUS. WILL ARRIVE SHREVEPORT

LA. ELEVEN THIRTY AM. WILL NOT TEST ANYTHING UPON ARRIVAL

BUT WILL GO DIRECTLY TO PLACES WHERE THEY WILL STAY, LOCATION

OF SUCH PLACES NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME TO [REDACTED] THEY ARE

HOPING THERE WILL BE NO PUBLICITY RE THIS TRIP AS THEY DO NOT

WANT A CROWD AT BUS STATION. SHREVEPORT PD, SO, LSP, AND CIG

ADVISED.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS HOUSTON AND NEW ORLEANS

FROM SAC, DALLAS /157-128/

*Freedom Riders - M. 3e.*

FREEBUS, RM. RE EP TEL JULY TWELVE LAST. STATE AND LOCAL LAW  
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ADVISED. NO INCIDENTS FT. WORTH. BUS DEPARTED  
NINE DASH FIFTY PM AS SCHEDULED. HOUSTON ADVISE NEW ORLEANS  
ROUTE BUS WILL TAKE FROM HOUSTON TO NEW ORLEANS. LOS ANGELES  
ADVISED BY AIR MAIL.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SACS KNOXVILLE, NEWARK AND NEW YORK

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FROM SAC RICHMOND /157-231/ 2P  
*Freedom Riders - Misc.*

FREE BUS, RM. RE NEW YORK TEL TO BUREAU JULY TWELVE LAST.

VIRGINIA STATE POLICE, CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA. PD AND ALBEMARLE  
COUNTY SHERIFF-S OFFICE ALERTED RE FREEDOM RIDERS SCHEDULED  
TO ARRIVE CHARLOTTESVILLE TODAY AND PROPOSED TRAVEL TO  
CHATTANOOGA, TENN., ON JULY FOURTEENTH NEXT. DETECTIVE SGT.

[REDACTED] /NA/ CHARLOTTESVILLE PD, ADVISED GREYHOUND  
BUSES ARRIVING CHARLOTTESVILLE TODAY AT TWO FORTY P.M., THREE  
P.M. AND FOUR THIRTY P.M. HAD NO PASSENGERS IDENTIFIABLE WITH  
MEMBERS OF GROUP MENTIONED IN RETEL. THOMAS JEFFERSON INN  
MOTEL, CHARLOTTESVILLE, IS HOLDING RESERVATIONS FOR SIX PERSONS  
IN NAME OF [REDACTED] HOWEVER, AT FOUR FIFTY P. M.,  
THIS DATE, THESE RESERVATIONS HAD NOT BEEN PICKED UP. [REDACTED]

EXPECTS NO DIFFICULTY IN CHARLOTTESVILLE AS BUS FACILITIES  
INTEGRATED AND MOTEL HAS ACCOMODATIONS FOR NEGROES. NEWARK  
AND NEW YORK VERIFY EXACT TIME OF DEPARTURE AND EXPECTED

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ARRIVAL OF GROUP IN CHARLOTTESVILLE, OR IF THERE HAS BEEN A  
CHANGE IN GROUP-S PLANS AND ADVISE. THIS MATTER BEING  
FOLLOWED CLOSELY AND BUREAU AND OFFICES WILL BE ADVISED  
ADDITIONAL DATA.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-264

FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES 157-363 1 P

*Freedom Riders - Misc.*  
PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDERS TRIP TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI,

LEAVING LOS ANGELES JULY TWELVE INSTANT. REMYTEL JULY

*pr* TWELVE. LOS ANGELES PRESS TODAY INDICATED ONLY TWELVE  
FREEDOM RIDERS DEPARTED LOS ANGELES TODAY VIA GREYHOUND

BUS. HOWEVER, ACTUAL NUMBER WAS THIRTEEN AS NEWSPAPER

DID NOT LIST [REDACTED] OF MONROVIA, CALIFORNIA. *M:SS.*

NEWSPAPER ARTICLE STATED THE GROUP INCLUDED TWO WHITE  
WOMEN ATTORNEYS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS QUOTED AS SAYING, QUOTE IF NON  
DASH JEWS HAD DONE SOMETHING LIKE THIS WHEN HITLER CAME  
TO POWER IN GERMANY MAYBE SIX MILLION OF MY PEOPLE WOULDNT

HAVE BEEN SLAUGHTERED. UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] WAS QUOTED AS

SAYING THAT SHE WAS MAKING THE TRIP BECAUSE SHE IS A

MOTHER QUOTE AND IT IS MY RESPONSIBILITY TO CONSTITUTIONAL  
GOVERNMENT. UNQUOTE. *157-382-612*

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FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (157-250)  
RE: "FREEBUS" Freedom Riders - Miscellaneous  
RACIAL MATTERS  
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CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY  
RACIAL MATTERS

Re my airtel 6/22/61, captioned as above.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight  
copies of letterhead memo, dated as above, captioned  
"FREEDOM RIDERS" (SECTION TWO, PROFESSIONAL GROUP),  
concerning the disposition of the cases of the three  
Freedom Riders who were arrested in Ocala, Fla., on 6/16/61  
suitable for dissemination.

This matter will be closely followed and  
the Bureau will be advised of the cases pending at Ocala, Fla.

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[redacted] who were among the group of "Freedom Riders" on the Second Section-Professional Group en route via Greyhound Bus from Jacksonville, Florida, to Tampa, Florida, on June 16, 1961, were arrested by the Marion County Sheriff's Office at the Greyhound Bus Station, Ocala, Florida, on that date and originally charged with the following: (1) Failure to obey the lawful order of an officer; (2) Attempting to incite a riot. The second charge was subsequently changed to unlawful assembly. On June 21, 1961, trial for the above three was set for July 5, 1961, and all were released on \$500 bond for each separate charge.

On July 5, 1961, [redacted] was tried before Judge Lewis O. Myers, Marion County Court, Ocala, and a six-man jury on the charge of unlawful assembly. The jury returned a guilty verdict against [redacted] on that charge on the same date. During trial of [redacted] he admitted he was a native of [redacted] and registered each year as [redacted] in the United States. He admitted two previous convictions on counts of loitering in a public toilet. He also admitted he underwent training in Washington, D.C., before he and others began freedom rides throughout the South.

[redacted] appeared before Judge Myers on July 6, 1961, and was tried before a six-man jury on charge of unlawful assembly. He did not take the stand in his own behalf. On July 7, 1961, the jury returned a verdict of guilty on the above charge.

Judge Myers deferred sentencing of [redacted] on the charge of unlawful assembly until July 17, 1961, to allow time for their attorney to file a motion for a new trial.

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[redacted] were not tried on the other charge of failure to obey the lawful order of an officer and if they are tried on this charge, their cases will be taken up during a special August term of court.

The case against [redacted] did not come before the Marion County Court from July 5-7, 1961, which dates constituted the July term of court.

County Prosecutor [redacted] on July 7, 1961, entered a motion before Judge Myers, Marion County Court, requesting a special August term of court that would convene sometime during the week of August 21, 1961, to consider the case against Callender.

The above three freedom riders were represented by [redacted] attorney, Jacksonville, Florida.

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The Attorney General

July 17, 1961

Director, FBI

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**FREEDOM RIDE 1961  
RACIAL MATTERS; DESTRUCTION OF  
AIRCRAFT OR MOTOR VEHICLES; CIVIL RIGHTS**

Twelve freedom riders were arrested at the Greyhound bus station in Jackson, Mississippi, on July 15, 1961. Eleven of these freedom riders originated their trip at Los Angeles, California, and they were joined in New Orleans, Louisiana, by

[redacted] was charged with [redacted] as well as [redacted]. The [redacted] charge was based upon the allegation that [redacted] in the Jackson bus station.

Included in the above group were Rose Schorr Rosenberg. It has been reported previously that Rose Schorr Rosenberg and [redacted] are attorneys who have been active in Communist Party activities. It has also been reported that [redacted] may be identical with one [redacted] who has been active in communist front activities in Los Angeles. [redacted] reportedly attended meetings of the Marxist-Leninist Youth Organization in Seattle, Washington, in April, May and June, 1961.

Seven freedom riders who arrived in Nashville, Tennessee, from New York on July 14, 1961, proceeded to Jackson by Greyhound bus arriving on July 16, 1961. They were arrested at the Greyhound bus terminal in Jackson.

One freedom rider traveled from Los Angeles to New Orleans by air on July 15, 1961, and was arrested by the Jackson police in the white waiting room at the Jackson railroad station on July 16, 1961. His method of travel from New Orleans to Jackson is not known.

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Two hundred forty-seven freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since May 24, 1961. Ninety-nine have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines and one has been released without the filing of charges. One hundred forty-three remain in custody.

The freedom riders who started their trip in St. Louis, Missouri, and who were arrested and released at Little Rock, Arkansas, proceeded from Shreveport, Louisiana, to New Orleans on July 15, 1961, and then arranged to return to their homes. There were no incidents after they left Little Rock.

The freedom riders who left New York on July 13, 1961, en route to Chattanooga, Tennessee, traveled from Roanoke, Virginia, to Knoxville, Tennessee, by Trailways bus on July 15, 1961. No incidents were reported during the trip although they were refused service in a restaurant at Elizabethton, Tennessee. On July 16, 1961, they proceeded from Knoxville to Chattanooga where they ate in the cafeteria at the Greyhound bus terminal and used other terminal facilities without incident. It has been indicated that they will remain in Chattanooga approximately two days. Their future itinerary is not yet known.

We have been informed that the Congress of Racial Equality office in Montgomery, Alabama, has been closed and in the future freedom rides going from Nashville, Tennessee, to Jackson will be routed through Memphis, Tennessee, instead of Montgomery.

The so-called freedom walk from Baltimore, Maryland, to Washington, D. C., which had been scheduled for July 16, 1961, was allegedly called off.

Further pertinent developments will be reported to the Department promptly.

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**FREEDOM RIDE 1961  
RACIAL MATTERS; DESTRUCTION OF  
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Two hundred twenty-seven freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, since May 24, 1961. Ninety have been released on bond, four have paid fines and one has been released without the filing of charges. One hundred thirty-two persons remain in custody.

James Luther Bevel, Field Secretary for the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), and [redacted] a field worker for the Jackson Nonviolent Movement, were arrested by the Jackson, Mississippi, Police Department on July 14, 1961. They were charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Affidavits filed by the police department relate to Negro juveniles arrested in sit-ins in Jackson, Mississippi, on July 10 and 11, 1961. No trial date has been set.

Parents of the juveniles would not sign complaints for fear of repercussions from members of their own race. It has been reported that some of the juveniles had been given \$2 apiece, their breakfast and then talked into participating in the sit-ins. The juveniles arrested gave signed statements to the Jackson Police Department that if they had to do it over again they would not participate in sit-ins and would not have done it in the first place if they had not been pushed into it by the Jackson Nonviolent Movement.

Affidavits have also been filed against three other officers of the Jackson Nonviolent Movement who are out of the city at the present time.

A freedom riders' group starting in Newark, New Jersey, consisting of ten persons, stayed overnight at Roanoke, Virginia, and are departing today for either Chattanooga, Memphis or Little Rock. Information has been received that the Chattanooga

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## **The Attorney General**

Police Department plans to have men dressed in plain clothes at bus stations and uniformed men out of sight but readily available if any disturbance develops. The police department has advised that arrests of Negroes and whites will be made only as a last resort.

Another freedom riders' group originating in Los Angeles, consisting of eleven persons, arrived in New Orleans on July 14, 1961, and will depart for Jackson, Mississippi, July 15, 1961, adding one additional Negro male at New Orleans.

Five other persons in a freedom riders' group which originated in St. Louis, Missouri, departed Shreveport, Louisiana, in the early morning hours of July 15, 1961, by bus en route New Orleans. One of these riders joined the group of four at Shreveport.

A news release has been made that Mississippi Governor Ross Barnett has called a meeting of southern governors at Jackson, Mississippi, for July 19, 1961, to discuss segregation and other issues.

Further developments will be furnished to the Department promptly.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. Rosen *RS*

DATE: 7/11/61

FROM : 

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SUBJECT: FREEBUS

On 7/10/61 John Murphy, Chief, Litigations Section, of the Department, telephonically contacted Supervisor  and requested expedite investigation of circumstances surrounding the arrest of nine freedom riders arrested 7/5 and 6/61.

Mr. Murphy said he would forward a confirming memorandum but he desired to immediately initiate this investigation because he contemplated using the results in action filed by the Department before the Interstate Commerce Commission, to be heard 7/20/61. This action involves segregation in interstate transportation facilities. According to Mr. Murphy, the request was based on a 7/7/61 article in the "New York Times" which related the arrest of 3 freedom riders at the bus depot, Jackson, Mississippi, on 7/5/61. The article also stated that 6 freedom riders were arrested at the Illinois Central Railroad, Jackson, Mississippi, 7/6/61. It should be noted in the Bureau's memoranda to the Attorney General, 7/6 and 7/7/61, respectively, the afore-mentioned arrests were called to the attention of the Attorney General.

On 7/10/61 New Orleans was instructed by teletype to expeditiously conduct the investigation requested by Mr. Murphy.

The purpose of this memorandum is to record another expedite request made by the Civil Rights Division. *an*

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI **FREEDOM RIDERS MISCELLANEOUS**  
FROM SAC, SAN FRANCISCO /100-24927/ 1P

FREEBUS, RM, CR. [REDACTED] ADVISED  
INSTANT DATE THAT [REDACTED] CONTACTED AL RICHMOND,  
EDITOR OF PW, INSTANT DATE, WHO ADVISED THAT GROUP OF TWELVE FREEDOM  
RIDERS, EIGHT WHITE, FOUR NEGRO, WERE LEAVING LA EN ROUTE  
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI TO ARRIVE FRIDAY NIGHT WITH STOP AT NEW ORLEANS.  
SPOKESMAN FOR GROUP WILL BE [REDACTED] GREATER  
CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH, LA. [REDACTED]  
LAWYERS, WHO INTEND TO CHALLENGE ARREST PROCEDURES, [REDACTED],  
[REDACTED] USC IN ANTHROPOLOGY AND [REDACTED]  
OF CORE, MEMBERS OF GROUP. SPONSOR OF GROUP IS SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH,  
LA. [REDACTED]

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC-S NEW ORLEANS /157-264/ AND  
ST. LOUIS /157-85/ **FREEDOM RIDERS-MISCELLANEOUS**  
FROM SAC, LITTLE ROCK /157-111/ 1P

FREEBUS, CR, RM. RMYTEL THIS DATE. FOUR FREEDOM RIDERS SURRENDERED  
THEMSELVES TO LRPD APPROXIMATELY SEVEN PM THIS DATE AS SUSPENDED  
SENTENCES RECEIVED THIS DATE REVOKED BY MUNICIPAL JUDGE QUINN GLOVER.  
INDICATED THEY WOULD APPEAL CONVICTION. WERE CONFINED TO CITY JAIL  
AND WILL APPEAR BEFORE JUDGE GLOVER MORNING SEVEN THIRTEEN NEXT.

[REDACTED] CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] FREEDOM  
RIDERS ATTORNEY, HAD STATED THAT THE NEWS OF THE FREEDOM RIDERS  
ACCEPTANCE OF JUDGE GLOVER'S TERMS OF SUSPENDING THEIR FINE AND JAIL  
SENTENCE IF THEY RETURNED HOME HAD BEEN CARRIED BY NEWS SERVICES  
THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND THAT CORE OFFICIALS HAD TELEPHONED STATING  
THAT THIS ACTION DEFEATED THE PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION AND THAT  
THE RIDERS WERE TO REMAIN IN LITTLE ROCK. LR WILL KEEP THE BU  
AND INTERESTED OFFICES ADVISED. NY ADVISED AM.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC-S NEW ORLEANS 157-264 AND

ST. LOUIS 157-850  
FROM SAC, LITTLE ROCK 157-111

*FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS*

FREEBUS, CR, RM. REMYTEL JULY ELEVEN LAST. FOUR FREEDOM  
RIDERS APPEARED LITTLE ROCK MUNICIPAL COURT THIS MORNING,  
FOUND GUILTY AND FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND SENTENCED  
TO SIX MONTHS. HOWEVER, JUDGE SUSPENDED SENTENCE ON CONDITION  
THAT RIDERS RETURN HOME. RIDERS HAVE AGREED TO RETURN HOME,  
HOWEVER, [REDACTED]

CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED THAT HE FELT RIDERS WOULD CONTINUE  
TO NEW ORLEANS DESPITE COURT ORDER. NEW YORK ADVISED BY  
AIRMAIL. LITTLE ROCK FOLLOWING CLOSELY AND WILL KEEP BUREAU  
AND INTERESTED OFFICES ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO- DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, KNOXVILLE

FROM- SAC, NEWARK /157-6031

*0 FREEDOM RIDERS- MISCELLANEOUS*

FREEBUS, RM. RE BUTEL THIS DATE.

TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT SMALL GROUP OF FREEDOM RIDERS  
ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED TO DEPART FROM NEWARK THIS EVENING WILL  
NOT DEPART UNTIL MORNING OF JULY THIRTEEN NEXT.  
ADVISED THAT HE WOULD APPEAR AT NEWARK OFFICE THIS AFTERNOON  
TO FURNISH FULL DETAILS REGARDING PROPOSED JOURNEY OF FREEDOM  
RIDERS LEAVING NEWARK TOMMORROW.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI, AND SACS, DALLAS, HOUSTON, NEW ORLEANS  
FROM SAC, EL PASO /157 NEW *FREEDOM RIDERS-MI* *LAN*  
PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDERS TRIP TO JACKSON, MISS., LEAVING LOS ANGELES  
JULY TWELVE INSTANT, RACIAL MATTERS. RE TEL CALL FROM LOS ANGELES,  
JULY TWELVE INSTANT. [REDACTED] GREYHOUND BUS TERMINAL,  
EL PASO, ADVISED HE RECEIVED TELEPHONE INFORMATION THAT SEVENTEEN FREE-  
DOM RIDERS HAD DEPARTED LOS ANGELES EIGHT FIFTEEN AM, JULY TWELVE  
INSTANT, VIA GREYHOUND BUS SCHEDULE SIX FOUR TWO WHICH IS DESTINED FOR  
NEW ORLEANS. BUS DUE EL PASO FOUR THIRTY AM, JULY THIRTEEN NEXT, AND  
SCHEDULED TO DEPART FIVE TWENTYFIVE AM SAME DATE. [REDACTED] SAID  
ANTICIPATED NO TROUBLE, EL PASO, AS PASSENGER FACILITIES NOT SEGREGATED  
BUT AS A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE HAD ALERTED EL PASO POLICE. ARRANGEMENTS  
MADE FOR DISCREET COVERAGE ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE, EL PASO, THROUGH  
[REDACTED] BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF ANY PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

FOR INFORMATION DALLAS, HOUSTON AND NEW ORLEANS, [REDACTED] STATED  
SCHEDULE SIX FOUR TWO CALLS FOR STOPS AFTER LEAVING EL PASO AS FOLLOWS-  
JULY THIRTEEN NEXT, ABILENE, FOUR FORTY PM, FT. WORTH, EIGHT FIFTY PM,  
WACO ELEVEN FIFTY PM, AND ON JULY FOURTEEN NEXT, HOUSTON FOUR FORTY AM,  
NEW ORLEANS, THREE TWENTY PM. LOS ANGELES HAS ADVISED FREEDOM RIDERS  
INCLUDE ROSE ROSENBERG AND [REDACTED]

ATTORNEYS, ASSOCIATED WITH CP. CONFIRMING COPY TO LOS ANGELES AIR

MAIL. CORR LINE 10, WD 7-345 BE ALERTED

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI *O* FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS  
FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-264/ 1P

FREEBUS, RM, CR. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF FOUR PM, JULY  
THIRTEEN COLON NO FR ARRESTED SINCE JULY ELEVEN SUMMARY. TOTAL  
ARRESTED TWO TWO SEVEN. OUT ON BOND NINETY. PAID FINE FOUR.  
RELEASED TO ATTORNEY ONE. NET IN CUSTODY ONE THREE TWO. ALL  
FR PRISONERS EATING AT JACKSON CITY AND HINDS COUNTY JAILS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS, DALLAS, HOUSTON, AND NEW ORLEANS  
FROM SAC, EL PASO "157-40" 1P  
FREEBUS, RM. REBUTEL JULY THIRTEEN INSTANT. STATE AND LOCAL  
LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ADVISED. NO INCIDENTS IN EL PASO AND  
BUS DEPARTED FIVE TWENTYFIVE AM THIS DATE AS SCHEDULED. LOS  
ANGELES ADVISED BY AIR MAIL. RUC.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS  
FROM SAC, PHOENIX /157-24/ 2-P

FREE DOM. RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS

FREEBUS, RM, CR. REMYTEL, JULY SEVEN, LAST. RECORDS TUCSON,

ARIZONA PD REFLECT [REDACTED] WAS PICKED UP

B. APPROX. [REDACTED]

ON [REDACTED] CHARGE, [REDACTED] LAST

AT WHICH TIME SHE WAS [REDACTED] YEARS OF AGE AND SHE WAS

[REDACTED] IN TUCSON. RECORDS OF THIS

[REDACTED] REFLECT [REDACTED] WAS PICKED UP BY THE TUCSON

PD SEVERAL TIMES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PROBATION

OFFICER, [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] KNOWN TO

HER SINCE [REDACTED] WHEN SHE WAS ADMITTED ON

[REDACTED] CHARGE [REDACTED] SHE WAS PLACED

ON PROBATION UNTIL [REDACTED]

ADVISED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SHE STATED [REDACTED] PROBATION RECENTLY EXPIRED

UPON [REDACTED] A SISTER OF [REDACTED] JUL 14 1961

ADVISED [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] LEFT ALONE FOR LOS ANGELES,

CALIFORNIA, ON [REDACTED] LAST., THAT AN UNKNOWN WOMAN

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HAD TAKEN [REDACTED] TO THE AIRPORT., AND AN  
UNKNOWN MEMBER OF CORE IN TUCSON HAD PAID HER WAY TO  
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI AND RETURN. [REDACTED] HAD LEFT WORD  
THAT SHE WAS GOING WHERE HER FRIEND [REDACTED] WAS AND  
THAT SHE WOULD JOIN A GROUP OF FREEDOM RIDERS AT LOS ANGELES  
ENROUTE TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS 157-286

*Of Freedom Riders - Misc*

FREEBUS. REBYTEL JULY SIX, SIXTYONE, ADVISING JUDGE S. C. MIZE

DENIED MOTION OF [REDACTED] FOR CERTIFICATE OF  
PROBABLE CAUSE. JUDGE JOHN MINOR WISDOM, FIFTH CIRCUIT COURT OF

APPEALS, NEW ORLEANS, TODAY ISSUED CERTIFICATE OF PROBABLE CAUSE

FOR [REDACTED] SO SHE MAY TAKE APPEAL IF SHE SO DESIRES.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI, AND SACS, HOUSTON, AND NEW ORLEANS

FROM SAC, DALLAS /157-128/ *FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS*

FREESBUS, RM. RE EL PASO TEL JULY TWELVE LAST. STATE AND LOCAL  
LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ADVISED. NO INCIDENTS IN ABILENE. BUS  
DEPARTED FIVE TEN PM THIS DATE AS SCHEDULED. LOS ANGELES ADVISED  
BY AM.

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## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: 7/12/61

FROM :

SUBJECT: FREEBUS

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ASAC W. M. Alexander, Los Angeles, telephonically advised that 17 freedom riders had left Los Angeles by Greyhound bus this morning en route to Jackson, Mississippi. He mentioned that they would pass through Phoenix, Arizona, and El Paso, Texas, among other cities, but that information in the possession of Los Angeles Office indicated that they only intend to test the facilities at Jackson, Mississippi.

*Calif*  
ASAC Alexander indicated that details in the possession of the Los Angeles Office were being forwarded this date by teletype to the Bureau and interested offices. He did mention, however, that two of the freedom riders are Rose Rosenberg and both of whom are well-known Communist Party members in the Los Angeles area and are security index subjects of the Los Angeles Office.

The above is for your information.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS

FROM SAC, SAN FRANCISCO /100-24927/ 2P

FREEBUS. "OAKLAND TRIBUNE" OF JULY THREE LAST REFLECTS THAT MICHAEL LEON PRITCHARD OF NEW YORK CITY, NOW A STUDENT AT SF CITY COLLEGE, AND LEOTUS THORNTON, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, WERE AMONG RECENT GROUP OF FREEDOM RIDERS ARRESTED AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. "SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER" OF JULY SIX INSTANT REFLECTS CHARLOTTE PHILLIPS, PHILIP PERKINS AND JOHN C. TAYLOR LEFT JULY FIVE LAST EN ROUTE LOS ANGELES WHERE THEY WILL JOIN A GROUP OF SEVEN ADDITIONAL RIDERS TO PROCEED TO NEW ORLEANS AND JACKSON. ARTICLE STATED TWENTY ADDITIONAL RIDERS WOULD DEPART LOS ANGELES JULY ONE TWO NEXT. SAN FRANCISCO INDICES NEGATIVE RE

MATTERS, ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT "SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER" ARTICLE IS IN ERROR REPORTING HIS DEPARTURE. INFORMANT STATES THAT DURING PAST FEW DAYS HE HAS SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED JOINING FREEDOM RIDERS AND DID NOT BRING THIS TO ATTENTION OF SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE UNTIL THIS TIME WHEN HE HAS MADE UP MIND DEFINITELY. HE IS TO LEAVE SAN FRANCISCO FOR LOS ANGELES JULY SEVEN NEXT TO JOIN WITH OTHERS LEAVING JULY NINE

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NEXT FOR NEW ORLEANS. IT WAS POINTED OUT TO HIM THAT AS A FREEDOM RIDER HE WILL BE ARRESTED AND SHOULD HE BE UNCOVERED AS A BUREAU INFORMANT IT COULD BE MISCONSTRUED AS FBI INVESTIGATION OF FREEDOM RIDERS AND/OR FBI ATTITUDE FAVORING FREEDOM RIDES. INFORMANT STATES THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD HE EVER REVEAL HIS CONFIDENTIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BUREAU. HE WAS ADVISED THAN ANY ACTION ON HIS PART IS OF HIS OWN VOLITION AND THE BUREAU IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS ACTIVITY. IN VIEW OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IS BEING DISCONTINUED IMMEDIATELY AND HAS BEEN SO ADVISED. SEPARATE COMMUNICATION WILL BE PREPARED FOR BUFILE ON THIS INFORMANT.

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RIDERS AND/OR FBI ATTITUDE FAVORING FEXX FREEDOM RIDES. INFORMANT STATES

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 157-387

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS 157-336 2- P

FREEBUS, RM- CR. RE LITTLE ROCK TEL TO DIRECTOR AND NEW  
ORLEANS JULY THIRTEEN, SIXTYONE.

FREEDOM RIDERS

FROM ST. LOUIS, MO., WHO ARRIVED FROM LITTLE ROCK, ARK., AT  
ELEVEN TWENTYSIX A. M. TODAY IN SHREVEPORT, LA., DID NOT TEST  
FACILITIES AT SHREVEPORT, LA. MEMBER OF CORE

ADVISED THAT THE TWO WOMEN RIDERS WOULD GO TO RESIDENCE OF

SHREVEPORT AND TWO MEN

WOULD GO TO HOME OF

SHREVEPORT, LA. POLICE AUTHORITIES ADVISED THEY ARE GOING

TO GIVE TWENTYFOUR HOUR PROTECTION TO THESE TWO RESIDENCES.

ONLY PERSONS ALLOWED IN BUS STATION UPON ARRIVAL OF BUS WERE  
PASSENGERS AND NO CURIOSITY OBSERVERS OR SPECTATORS ALLOWED WITHIN  
ONE BLOCK OF BUS STATION WHEN BUS ARRIVED AT ELEVEN TWENTYSIX A. M.  
ALL LEFT IN CAR OF TO RESIDENCES IN SHREVEPORT, LA.

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NO INCIDENTS. [REDACTED] ADVISED DOES NOT KNOW OF FUTURE PLANS AT  
THIS TIME BUT WILL ADVISE FBI AGENTS. ST. LOUIS, NEW YORK  
AND LITTLE ROCK ADVISED AIR MAIL.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS  
FROM SAC, ATLANTA /157-232/ 1P

FREEBUS, RM. ALFRED G. KUETTNER, JR., MANAGER, UPI, ATLANTA, TELEPHONICALLY FURNISHED INFORMATION TODAY REGARDING RIDERS ENROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, TO JACKSON, MISS., CONSISTING OF TWELVE INDIVIDUALS. PARTICULAR REFERENCE MADE TO THREE RIDERS, NAMELY, [REDACTED]

ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN CITED AS CP LAWYER  
NINETEEN FIFTYNINE. ~~ROSE~~ ROSENBERG, ATTORNEY, CITED PAGE  
FIFTYEIGHT, UNION CALENDER NO. TWELVE, EIGHTYSIXTH CONGRESS,  
FIRST SESSION. FEB. SIXTEEN NINETEEN FIFTYNINE.

AGE	STUDENT TO ENTER UCLA THIS FALL,
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ALLEGED NATIONAL COMMISSION MEMBER,  
CP USA. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] BUS IS DUE TO ARRIVE NEW ORLEANS  
THREE P. M. TODAY AND WILL THEN PROCEED TO JACKSON, MISS.

ACCORDING TO NBC BROADCAST, BUS NOW IN TEXAS. ABOVE FOR INFO.  
NO FURTHER ACTION BEING TAKEN ATLANTA. *157-387-63*

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS

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FREEBUS, CR, RM. [REDACTED]

CORE REPRESENTATIVE [REDACTED]

LA., ADVISED THAT FOUR FR WHO ARRIVED SHREVEPORT TODAY ARE LEAVING  
BY TRAILWAYS BUS TWO AM JULY FIFTEEN ENROUTE NEW ORLEANS, WILL  
BE ACCOMPANIED BY FIVE TO TEN ADDITIONAL RIDERS RECRUITED IN  
SHREVEPORT. IDENTITIES UNKNOWN AT PRESENT. THEY WILL TEST BUS STA-  
TION FACILITIES IN SHREVEPORT PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. PD, SO, CIO  
ADVISED. MATTER BEING FOLLOWED AND BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF  
DEVELOPEMENTS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS

*Freedom Riders - Misc*

FREEBUS. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF FIVE PM JULY FOURTEEN.

NO FR ARRESTED SINCE JULY ELEVEN SUMMARY. TOTAL ARRESTED TWO  
TWO SEVEN. OUT ON BOND NINTY. PAID FINES FOUR. RELEASED  
TO ATTORNEY ONE. NET IN CUSTODY ONE THREE TWO. ALL FR  
PRISONERS EATING AT JACKSON CITY JAIL AND HINDS COUNTY JAIL.

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URGENT 7-14-61 10-05 AM CST NW

TO DIRECTOR, FIB, AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-336

FROM SAC, LITTLE ROCK 157-111

FREEBUS, CR, RM. REMYTEL JULY THIRTEEN LAST. FOUR  
FREEDOM RIDERS LEFT LITTLE ROCK AT FOUR AM VIA TRAILWAYS  
BUS WITHOUT INCIDENT. ARRIVED TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS,  
NINE ZERO SIX AM. LEFT TEXARKANA NINE TWENTYFIVE AM  
WITHOUT INCIDENT. SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, RESIDENT AGENT  
TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED OF DEPARTURE AND EXPECTED ARRIVAL  
IN SHREVEPORT AT ELEVEN THIRTY AM.

NEW YORK AND ST. LOUIS ADVISED AIR MAIL.

NO TO BE ADVISED

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URGENT 7-14-61 8-40 AM CST KH

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, HOUSTON 1 P

FREEBUS, RM. RE DALLAS TELETYPE THIRTEENTH INSTANT. HOUSTON  
TELEPHONE CALL TO NEW ORLEANS FOURTEENTH INSTANT. INSTANT BUS  
ARRIVED HOUSTON FOUR THIRTY SIX AM FOURTEENTH INSTANT, DEPARTED  
FIVE AM WITHOUT INCIDENT. ARRIVED BEAUMONT, TEXAS, SEVEN AM,  
DEPARTED SEVEN ELEVEN AM WITHOUT INCIDENT. MADE SHORT STOP IN  
ORANGE, TEXAS, WITHOUT INCIDENT. ROUTE BUS TO TAKE FROM ORANGE  
TO NEW ORLEANS FURNISHED NEW ORLEANS THIS DATE BY TELEPHONE.  
EL PASO, DALLAS, NEW ORLEANS FURNISHED AIRMAIL COPIES.

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FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-340/ TP  
**FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS**

FREEBUS, RM, CR. FREEDOM RIDER TRIP TO JACKSON, MISS., FROM  
LOS ANGELES, CALIF., JULY TWELVE, SIXTYONE. FOLLOWING  
FREEDOM RIDERS ARRIVED NEW ORLEANS THREE THIRTY PM, VIA  
GREYHOUND.

LOUISIANA  
MISS.

ATTORNEY ROSE

ROSENBERG, WHITE FEMALE.

WILL LEAVE NEW ORLEANS VIA GREYHOUND BUS ENROUTE JACKSON, MISS. TWELVE  
FORTYFIVE PM, JULY FIFTEENTH INSTANT. WILL BE JOINED BY

OF NEW ORLEANS. MEETING TO BE HELD ST. JAMES AVE  
CHURCH, NEW ORLEANS, TEN AM, SEVEN FIFTEEN INSTANT. BU WILL BE KEPT  
INFORMED. NOPD, LSP, JACKSON PD, HINDS COUNTY, MISS. SO, AND MHSP  
BEING ADVISED.

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URGENT 7-13-61 -1-35 PM CKH

TO DIRECTOR FBI AND SAC RICHMOND  
FROM SAC KNOXVILLE 3 P

FREE BUS NEWARK - CHATTANOOGA 7-15-61, RACIAL MATTERS. RE NEWARK  
TEL TO BUREAU, FREEDOM RIDERS MISCELLANEOUS  
KNOXVILLE, RICHMOND, NEW YORK, AND WFO JULY THIRTEEN LAST.

INFO REFTEL FURNISHED JULY THIRTEEN, SIXTY IN CONFIDENCE TO  
EDWARD H. BROWN, NA, CHIEF OF POLICE J AND [REDACTED] NA,  
INSPECTOR IN CHARGE OF DETECTIVES, CHATTANOOGA, TENN., PD.  
ACTIVITIES FREEDOM RIDERS CHATTANOOGA WILL BE PERSONALLY  
SUPERVISED BY BOTH MEN. THEY PLAN TO HAVE SEVERAL MEN  
DRESSED IN PLAIN CLOTHES AT BUS STATIONS AND UNIFORMED  
MEN OUT OF SIGHT, BUT READILY AVAILABLE IF DISTURBANCE  
DEVELOPS. BUS FACILITIES TO GIVE APPEARANCE OF NORMAL  
OPERATION AND APPEAR THAT NO POLICE PRESENT. BUS FACILITIES,  
CHATTANOOGA, HAVE NO SIGNS REFLECTING INTERGRATION AND ALTHOUGH  
BOTH HAVE TWO WAITING ROOMS NEGROES FREQUENTLY USE ALL  
FACILITIES AT STATION WITHOUT INCIDENT. AFTERNOON JULY  
FIVE LAST FOUR BUS LOADS OF NEGROES, CHURCH GROUPS ON CHARTERED

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BUSES, CHICAGO TO MIAMI, HAD APPROXIMATELY TWO HOUR LAYOVER AT GREYHOUND STATION, CHATTANOOGA. USED ALL FACILITIES DURING THIS PERIOD WITHOUT INCIDENT. ARREST BY CHATTANOOGA PD OF BOTH NEGRO AND WHITE DURING FREEDOM RIDERS VISIT WILL BE MADE ONLY AS LAST RESORT AND DUE TO DISTURBANCE OR AT SPECIFIC REQUEST OF STATION MANAGERS FOR LOITERING IF THEY AGREE TO PROSECUTE AND ONLY AFTER EFFORTS TO MOVE GROUP OUT OF STATION HAS FAILED. CHIEF BROWN REQUESTS FBI TO FURNISH SPECIFIC INFO, IF AVAILABLE, RE TIME OF FREEDOM RIDERS ARRIVAL CHATTANOOGA TO FACILITATE HIM AFFORDING APPROPRIATE PD PROTECTION. RICHMOND AT CHARLOTTESVILLE REQUESTED TO DETERMINE EXACT TIME FREEDOM RIDERS DEPART FROM THAT CITY, BUS NUMBER AND EXPECTED TIME OF ARRIVAL AT KNOXVILLE, TENN., AND CHATTANOOGA, TENN. SUTEL INFO KNOXVILLE SO CHATTANOOGA PD CAN BE NOTIFIED. BROWN AND [REDACTED] BOTH ADVISED WILL KEEP FBI IMMEDIATELY ADVISED OF ANY DEVELOPMENTS THIS MATTER. FOR INFO BUREAU NATIONAL MEETING OF DIXIE KLANS, KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., TO ELECT SOME OF NATIONAL OFFICERS PREVIOUSLY PLANNED FOR CHATTANOOGA, TENN., SUNDAY, JULY SIXTEEN NEXT, HOWEVER,, NO INDICATION

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THIS ORGANIZATION HAS ANY ACTIVITY PLANNED RELATING TO FREEDOMM  
RIDERS. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT CURRENTLY ADVISED OF ALL  
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS, KNOXVILLE, MEMPHIS, LITTLE ROCK,  
RICHMOND AND NEW YORK

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS

FROM SAC, NEWARK /157-603/ 2 P

FREE BUS, RM. RE RICHMOND TEL THIS DATE. [REDACTED]

CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED FREEDOM RIDER GROUP ARRIVED ROANOKE, VA., TODAY  
AND WILL REMAIN ROANOKE OVERNIGHT BUT DID NOT KNOW WHERE STAYING.

[REDACTED] ADVISED GROUP WILL LEAVE ROANOKE SOMETIME JULY FIFTEEN NEXT BY  
BUS AND PLANNING TO ARRIVE CHATTANOOGA, TENN., TWO FORTY FIVE PM JULY  
SIXTEEN NEXT. [REDACTED] ADVISED ALTERNATE DESTINATIONS ARE MEMPHIS, TENN.,  
AND LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS. [REDACTED] UNABLE TO FURNISH ADDITIONAL  
INFO TONIGHT AND SUGGESTED FBI CONFIDENTIALLY CONTACT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO IS AMONG GROUP, WHO LIKE [REDACTED] WOULD COOPERATE. [REDACTED]  
STATED [REDACTED] IN BETTER POSITION TO ADVISE WHICH ALTERNATE ROUTES TO  
BE USED BY GROUP. FOR INFO MEMPHIS AND LITTLE ROCK, FREEDOM RIDER  
GROUP CONSISTING OF FIVE PERSONS ARRIVED ROANOKE, VA., TWELVE TWO PM  
EST ON TRAILWAYS BUS AND MET BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ROANOKE, VA., AND TAKEN TO FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH, ROANOKE. LATER THE FIVE INDIVIDUALS REGISTERED HOLIDAY INN,  
ROANOKE, VA., AND PLANNED TO SPEND NIGHT IN ROANOKE. GROUP IDENTIFIED  
AS [REDACTED] STUDENT, MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST

LANSING, MICHIGAN.

CRANFORD, N. J., [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RIVER EDGE, N. J., [REDACTED] NEW YORK CITY,

STUDENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES, HOWARD UNIVERSITY, AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ELIZABETH, N. J. RICHMOND CONTACT [REDACTED]

HOLIDAY INN, ROANOKE, VA., PRIOR TO GROUP-S DEPARTURE, AS POSSIBLE [REDACTED]

SOURCE, RE GROUP-S ITINERARY. NEWARK WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]

AND KEEP BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES ADVISED.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI , AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS

FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES /157-363/ 1P

FREEBUS. INFORMANT ADVISES FREEDOM RIDER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, DEPARTING

TODAY VIA AIRCRAFT TO JOIN GROUP WHICH LEFT LOS ANGELES, VIA  
GREYHOUND BUS ON JULY TWELVE LAST, EITHER IN NEW ORLEANS OR  
JACKSON. NO OTHER DETAILS AVAILABLE. INDICES, LOS ANGELES,  
NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]

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FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-NEW/

FREEBUS, RM, CR. RE LOS ANGELES TEL TO BUREAU AND NEW ORLEANS  
SEVEN FIFTEEN, SIXTYONE, LOS ANGELES FILE ONE FIVE SEVEN DASH  
THREE SIX THREE. ONE NM, FR ARRESTED IC RR WHITE WAITING ROOM,  
JACKSON, MISS., TEN THIRTEEN AM, THIS DATE. ARRESTING OFFICER

[REDACTED], JACKSON PD, ORDERED FR TO MOVE FROM WAITING ROOM, THEN  
ARRESTED AFTER FR DECLINED. FR TAKEN FROM TERMINAL IN PD PATROL  
CAR. NO INCIDENTS OBSERVED. NO FORCE NECESSARY DURING ARREST.  
NAME AND DESCRIPTION FR FOLLOW BY TEL.

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FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-340/ 2P

FREEBUS, RM, CR. RE LOS ANGELES AND EL PASO TELS TO BUREAU AND  
NEW ORLEANS ,ET AL, SEVEN TWELVE LAST. GREYHOUND BUS FOUR FOUR  
TWO ARRIVED SIX FORTYNINE PM TODAY GREYHOUND BUS TERMINAL, JACKSON,  
MISS. AMONG PASSENGERS A GROUP CONSISTING OF FIVE NM, FOUR WM,  
AND THREE WF. THESE TWELVE ENTERED WHITE WAITING ROOM AND SOME  
TOOK SEATS. OTHERS REMAINED STANDING IMMEDIATELY NEARBY. CAPTAIN  
[REDACTED] JACKSON PD, OBSERVED TO APPROACH GROUP AND TWICE ORDER  
THEM TO MOVE ON. [REDACTED] THEN ASKED IF HIS ORDER HEARD AND THEN  
INFORMED GROUP THEY WERE UNDER ARREST. TWO PLAINCLOTHES OFFICERS  
OBSERVED QUESTIONING WHITE MALE CIVILIAN IN TERMINAL AT TIME OF  
FR-S ARREST. INQUIRY REVEALED THIS WM HAD POSSIBLY SHOVED A  
MALE NEGRO FR. WM OBSERVED BEING PLACED IN POLICE CAR. THE FIVE  
NMS, FOUR WMS, AND THREE WFS OBSERVED ENTERING PATROL WAGON PARKED  
FRONT OF TERMINAL UNDER UNIFORMED ESCORT. EXCEPT FOR POSSIBLE  
SHOVING, NO INCIDENTS OBSERVED AND NO CROWD IN EVIDENCE. NAMES  
AND DESCRIPTIONS RE FRs TO FOLLOW BY TELETYPE. NINE FRs RELEASED

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HINDS COUNTY JAIL, JACKSON, MISS., THIS DATE, EACH ON FIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR CASH BOND. NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS THESE NINE TO FOLLOW BY AIRTEL. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF SEVEN PM, JULY FIFTEEN. TWELVE FRS ARRESTED JULY FIFTEENTH. TOTAL ARRESTED TO DATE TWO THREE NINE. OUT ON BOND NINE NINE. PAID FINE FOUR. RELEASED TO ATTORNEY ONE. NET IN CUSTODY ONE THREE FIVE. ALL FR PRISONERS EATING AT JACKSON CITY AND HINDS COUNTY JAILS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157- NEW/ 1P

FREEBUS. RM, CR. RE MEMPHIS TEL TO BUREAU AND NO SEVEN FIFTEEN SIXTY  
ONE PAREN ME NUMBER ONE FIVE SEVEN DASH ONE FOUR ZERO END PAREN. SEVEN  
FREEDOM RIDERS, FOUR WM, TWO WF AND ONE OTHER MALE RACE NOT  
IMMEDIATELY ASSCERTAINABLE, ARRESTED GREYHOUND BUS TERMINAL JACKSON,  
MISS., AFTER ARRIVAL BUS SIX FOUR ZERO AM THIS DATE. ARRESTED BY  
CAPTAIN [REDACTED] JACKSON PD. NO INCIDENTS OBSERVED OR FORCE REQUIRED  
DURING ARREST. NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF FREEDOM RIDERS TO FOLLOW  
BY TELETYPE.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-264/ 1P

FREEBUS, RM, CR. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF THREE PM JULY  
SIXTEEN COLON EIGHT FR ARRESTED SINCE JULY FIFTEENTH SUMMARY.  
TOTAL ARRESTED TWO FOUR SEVEN. OUT ON BOND NINE NINE. PAID  
FINE FOUR. RELEASED TO ATTORNEY ONE. NET INCUSTODY ONE FOUR  
THREE. ALL FR PRISONERS EATING AT HINDS COUNTY AND JACKSON CITY  
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS 157-NEW/ 1P

FREEBUS RM, CR. RE MEMPHIS TEL TO BUREAU AND NO SEVEN FIFTEEN  
SIXTY ONE PAREN ME NUMBER ONE FIVE SEVEN DASH ONE FOUR ZERO END PAREN.  
SEVEN FREEDOM RIDERS, FOUR WM, TWO WF AND ONE OTHER MALE RACE NOT  
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CAPTAIN [REDACTED] JACKSON PD IN TERMINAL NEGRO WAITING ROOM AFTER  
BEING ORDERED TO MOVE ON BUT DECLING TO DO SO. NO INCIDENTS OBSERVED  
OR FORCE REQUIRED DURING ARREST. NAMES AND DESCRIPTION OF FREEDOM  
RIDERS TO FOLLOW BY TEL.

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*Freebus, RM, CR. RE NEW ORLEANS TELS TODAY.*

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-336/ 1P

FREEBUS, RM, CR. RE NEW ORLEANS TELS TODAY.

CORE, NEW ORLEANS, TODAY ADVISED

DEPARTING NEW ORLEANS

JULY SIXTEENTH NEXT SEVEN FIFTY AM VIA DELTA AIRLINES, ENROUTE  
ST. LOUIS, TO RETURN TO THEIR HOMES, NOT TESTING ENROUTE ST.

LOUIS ADVISED AM.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI 157-387 AND SAC ST. LOUIS  
FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-336 1P

FREEBUS, RM, CR. RE NEW ORLEANS TELETYPE TODAY. FIVE FREEDOM  
RIDERS FROM SHREVEPORT ARRIVED NEW ORLEANS ELEVEN TEN A. M.  
TODAY AND TESTED WAITING ROOM AND LUNCH COUNTER AT TRAILWAYS  
TERMINAL. NO ARRESTS AND NO INCIDENTS. [REDACTED] CORE, *LA*  
NEW ORLEANS, TODAY STATED FOUR FROM ST. LOUIS WILL RETURN TO  
ST. LOUIS TO BE THERE BY NIGHT OF JULY SIXTEEN NEXT BUT TRAVEL  
PLANS AND FURTHER TESTING NOT YET DETERMINED. NEW YORK AND  
LITTLE ROCK ADVISED AIRMAIL.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS KNOXVILLE, NEW YORK AND NEWARK

/157-603/

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS

FROM SAC, RICHMOND 7157-2317

FREE BUS, RM. REMYTELS SEVEN FOURTEEN LAST. FREEDOM RIDER

GROUP CONSISTING OF FIVE PERSONS ARRIVED ROANOKE, VA., TWELVE

TWO PM EST ON TRAILWAYS BUS AND MET BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ROANOKE, VA., AND TAKEN TO FIFTH AVENUE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ROANOKE. LATER THE FIVE INDIVIDUALS

REGISTERED HOLIDAY INN, ROANOKE, VA., AND PLANNED TO SPEND NIGHT

IN ROANOKE. GROUP IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED]

STUDENT, MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST LANSING, MICH., [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] N. J., [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] N. J., [REDACTED]

NEW YORK CITY, STUDENT

NEGRO N.Y. VA. D.C.  
HOWARD UNIVERSITY, AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] N. J. THE SIXTH INDIVIDUAL REPORTED [REDACTED]

IN RETEL IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN TRAILWAYS BUS EMPLOYEE [REDACTED]

ACCOMPANYING GROUP. THEIR DEPARTURE PLANS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN ADVISED. RICHMOND WILL FOLLOW DEVELOPMENTS  
AND KEEP BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES ADVISED

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URGENT 7-14-61 1245 PM MW

TO DIRECTOR, FBI, SACS, KNOXVILLE, NEW YORK AND NEWARK /157-603/  
NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FROM SAC, RICHMOND /157-231/

*0 FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS*  
FREE BUS, RM. RMYTEL SEVEN FOURTEEN INSTANT. GROUP OF SIX

PERSONS, FOUR WHITE AND TWO NEGROES, BELIEVED TO CONSIST OF

*Va  
TENN*  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] HEIGHT, [REDACTED], WEARING [REDACTED] APPROX [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] HAIRCUT, AGE [REDACTED] AND TWO YOUNG [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ONE OF WHOSE NAME MAY BE [REDACTED] OTHER NAME UNKNOWN,  
BOTH ABOUT [REDACTED] IN HEIGHT, [REDACTED] LBS. BOTH  
WEARING [REDACTED] ONE HAS [REDACTED] HAIRCUT, [REDACTED] HAIR, THE  
OTHER HAS [REDACTED] HAIR, ONE CARRYING CAMERA STRAPPED ON SHOULDER,  
BOTH WEARING WHITE SHORT SLEEVED SHIRTS, LEFT CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.  
ON TRAILWAYS BUS NUMBER T C SIX FOUR NINE, LEAVING CHARLOTTESVILLE  
AT NINE FORTY AM DST, DUE TO ARRIVE KNOXVILLE, TENN., EIGHT FIFTY-  
FIVE PM THEIR TIME. PRESS COVERED DEPARTURE AND ALL OFFICES SHOULD  
EXPECT PRESS COVERAGE. PERSON BELIEVED TO BE [REDACTED] PUR-  
CHASED THREE TICKETS FOR CHATTANOOGA, TENN. RICHMOND WILL FOLLOW  
DEVELOPMENTS OF TOUR THROUGH VIRGINIA AND KEEP BUREAU AND OTHER  
OFFICES ADVISED.

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Gandy	_____

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 7/14/61

FROM : A. Rosen

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SUBJECT: JACKSON NONVIOLENT MOVEMENT  
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI  
RACIAL MATTERS

Freedom Riders - misc

Jackson police plan to arrest leaders of the Jackson Nonviolent Movement on 7/14/61 based on charges that they have contributed to the delinquency of a juvenile.

Jackson Police Department has advised the New Orleans Office that juveniles who had been arrested for sit-ins in Jackson, Mississippi, stated that they would not have engaged in such activities had they not been coaxed into it by individuals operating the Jackson Nonviolent Movement. Parents of the juveniles have stated they were not advised of action contemplated regarding their children. These parents would not sign the complaints as they were afraid of repercussions from members of their own race.

Police reported that some of the juveniles had been given \$2 apiece, their breakfast and then talked into participating in the sit-ins.

Affidavits are being filed charging [redacted] James Bevel and [redacted] of the Jackson Nonviolent Movement with contributing to the delinquency of a juvenile. Charges will be filed before a Justice of the Peace. According to the Jackson police, the maximum sentence under this charge is a \$500 fine and/or six months in jail on each count.

ACTION

New Orleans Office is closely following this matter and will keep the Bureau advised.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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Mr. Belmont\_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr\_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Callahan\_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Conrad\_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. DeLoach\_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Ingram\_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy\_\_\_\_\_

URGENT 7-16-61 1-57AM JB

TO DIRECTOR. FBI AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS 157-140 1P

FREEBUS, RM. REMYTEL THIS DATE. AGENTS THIS OFFICE OBSERVED  
THE APPARENT SEVEN FREEDOM RIDERS FROM NSAHVILLE REFERRED TO IN  
RETEL ARRIVE GREYHOUND BUS TERMINAL, MEMPHIS AT ELEVEN PM SEVEN  
FIFTEEN SIXTYONE AND DEPARTED ON GREYHOUND FOR JACKSON AT ONE THIRTY  
AM, INSTANT. DUE TO ARRIVE AT JACKSON, MISS., AT FIVE THIRTYFIVE AM  
INSTANT. NO INCIDENTS AT MEMPHIS.

E NO-TO BE ADVISED

END AND ACK PLS.

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Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
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URGENT 7-15-61 8-24 PM CST JWB

TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /157-140/ 2P

FREEBUS, RM. [REDACTED] STUDENT CENTRAL COMMITTEE, NSNVM,

NASHVILLE, ADVISED JULY FIFTEEN THAT FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS

ARRIVED NASHVILLE ELEVEN FIFTY P. M., SEVEN, FOURTEEN, SIXTYONE VIA  
GREYHOUND BUS FROM NEW YORK CITY. [REDACTED] B. APPROX. [REDACTED] AGE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RESIDENCE [REDACTED]

NEW YORK, PHONE [REDACTED] R. APPROX [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AGE [REDACTED]

RESIDENCE [REDACTED]

NEW YORK, PHONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AGE [REDACTED] B. APPROX [REDACTED]

RESIDENCE [REDACTED]

NEW YORK, PHONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AGE [REDACTED] R. APPROX [REDACTED]

RESIDENCE [REDACTED]

NEW YORK [REDACTED]

PHONE [REDACTED] R. APPROX [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AGE [REDACTED]

RESIDENCE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FLA., PHONE [REDACTED]

HAD PREVIOUSLY ARRIVED NASHVILLE VIA ATLANTA, GA. ABOVE FIVE

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PERSONS AS WELL AS

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RESIDENCE,

PA., PHONE

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RESIDENCE

NEW YORK CITY, PHONE,

ALL DEPARTED NASHVILLE, TENN., AT

FIVE THIRTY P. M., JULY FIFTEEN IN SECOND SECTION OF GREYHOUND BUS  
SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE MEMPHIS TEN TWENTYFIVE P.M., JULY FIFTEEN,  
DEPART MEMPHIS ONE FIFTEEN A. M., JULY SIXTEEN NEXT, ARRIVE JACKSON  
FIVE THIRTYFIVE A.M., JULY SIXTEEN NEXT. [REDACTED] STATED CORE  
OFFICE, MONTGOMERY, ALA., CLOSED AND FUTURE FREEDOM RIDERS WILL  
GO FROM NASHVILLE VIA MEMPHIS TO JACKSON, MISS. LETTERHEAD MEMO  
FOLLOWS. MEMPHIS WILL SUTEL BUREAU AND NEW ORLEANS TIME OF  
DEPARTURE OF BUS FROM MEMPHIS. PHILADELPHIA, MIAMI AND NEW YORK  
ADVISED AM TO CHECK INDICES FOR PERTINENT INFO RE ABOVE GROUP.  
MOBILE AND ATLANTA ADVISED AM FOR INFO.

NEW ORLEANS ADVISED SEPAATELY.

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Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ingram \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

URGENT 7-15-61 2-19 PM EST MB  
TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC MEMPHIS AND SAC NEW ORLEANS  
FROM SAC ATLANTA 157-232 1 P

FREEBUS, RM. [REDACTED] OF THE SCLC, ATLANTA,  
TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THIS DATE THAT SEVEN FREEDOM RIDERS,  
TWO WHITE FEMALES, FOUR WHITE MALES, AND ONE NEGRO MALE,  
LEAVING NASHVILLE, TENN., FIVE FIFTEEN PM THIS DATE AND WILL  
ARRIVE JACKSON, MISS., FIVE THIRTY AM, JULY SIXTEEN NEXT.  
ABOVE FOR INFORMATION. NO FURTHER ACTION ATLANTA. END  
END AND ACK PLS IN ORDER.

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ME OK FBI ME O MEN 1-22 PM

NO OK FBI NO BC

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The Attorney General

July 18, 1961

Director, FBI

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FREEDOM RIDE 1961  
RACIAL MATTERS; DESTRUCTION OF  
AIRCRAFT OR MOTOR VEHICLES; CIVIL RIGHTS

Jul 18 1 23 PM '61  
READING ROOM

The twenty freedom riders who were arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, on July 15 and 16, 1961, were all convicted on July 17, 1961. Each was sentenced to serve four months and was fined two hundred dollars.

was acquitted of the assault charge placed against him when he allegedly stepped on the foot of a white man at the Greyhound bus station in Jackson on July 15, 1961.

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Two hundred forty-seven freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since May 24, 1961. Ninety-nine have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines and one has been released without the filing of charges. One hundred forty-three remain in custody.

It has been reported that klansmen have discussed the possibility of shooting at the bus when the freedom riders from New York, who are presently in Chattanooga, Tennessee, continue their trip. It was indicated that this might occur at Monteagle Pass which is approximately forty miles west of Chattanooga.

freedom riders, were arrested at Ocala, Florida, June 16, 1961, while en route from Washington, D. C. to St. Petersburg, Florida. have previously been found guilty of unlawful assembly and has not yet been tried.

On July 17, 1961, motions of for new trials were denied was sentenced to thirty days in jail plus a five hundred dollar fine or an additional six months in jail. was sentenced to pay a two hundred and fifty dollar fine or spend ninety days in jail. Motions of appeal have been filed which are not expected to be heard before October, 1961. were released on bond pending appeal.

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Belmont  
Mohr  
Callahan  
Conrad  
DeLoach  
Evans  
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1 - Mr. Mohr  
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**The Attorney General**

Julius W. Hobson, President, Washington, D. C. Chapter, Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), advised that the 1961 CORE Interracial Action Institute will be held in Arlington, Virginia. A Unitarian church will be used, however the specific church has not been designated and there are several Unitarian churches in Arlington. Although the application blank for attendance at the institute states that it will be held from August 13, 1961, to September 3, 1961, Hobson said that the institute may actually begin during the last week of July, 1961, and that it will be a continuing affair which will not end on September 3, 1961.

Hobson related that those who attend the CORE institute in Arlington will test integration in Virginia, particularly in northern Virginia. They will engage in sit-ins, picketing and negotiations to end segregation in theaters, bowling alleys, restaurants and other business establishments. Two hundred people are expected to participate in the program which will consist of a series of two-week training courses.

The Department will be promptly advised of further pertinent developments.

- 1 - Mr. Byron R. White  
Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General  
Burke Marshall
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General  
Herbert J. Miller, Jr.

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Date: July 13, 1961

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (100-25421)  
SUBJECT: PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDERS TRIP *Miscellaneous*  
TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI,  
LEAVING LOS ANGELES JULY 12, 1961  
SECURITY MATTER - C

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Transmitted herewith to the Bureau are five copies of a letterhead memorandum entitled PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDERS TRIP TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, LEAVING LOS ANGELES JULY 12, 1961, and transmitted herewith to the New Orleans Office are two copies of the same memorandum and also one photograph of [redacted] taken in May, 1961.

[redacted] furnished information regarding COOPER's attendance at meetings of the Northwest Youth for Progressive Action.

[redacted] furnished information regarding COOPER joining the Freedom Riders in Los Angeles.

Confidential informants [redacted] were utilized in a characterization of the Northwest Youth for Progressive Action.

- 3 - Bureau (AM) (Encl. 5)
- 2 - New Orleans (AM) (Encl. 3)
- 2 - Seattle

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Approved: *[Signature]*  
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Seattle, Washington  
July 13, 1961

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RE: PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDERS TRIP  
TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI,  
LEAVING LOS ANGELES JULY 12, 1961

B. APPROX. [redacted]

*calif wash.*  
A source has reported [redacted] present at meetings of the Marxist - Leninist Youth Organization in April, May, and June, 1961. In May, 1961, this organization became known as the Northwest Youth for Progressive Action. [redacted] was described by this source as [redacted] years of age, [redacted] hair, [redacted] eyes, [redacted] about [redacted]

Another source stated that a meeting of Freedom Riders was held in Seattle on [redacted] at which it was announced that [redacted] would join a Freedom Riders bus leaving from Los Angeles in July, 1961.

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PROGRESSIVE YOUTH ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,  
KNOWN IN SEATTLE AS NORTHWEST YOUTH FOR  
PROGRESSIVE ACTION

A source stated that a meeting was held on [redacted] Washington, for the purpose of organizing the Marxist - Leninist Study groups in the state and the northwest, into a formal organization. The following statement was approved:

We are the Marxist - Leninist Youth Organization devoted to political and educational movements which may arise in our separate communities. We are for socialized medicine, peace, equality, and integration. We are not ashamed of being Marxist - Leninists, we are proud of it because it is right. All our movements will be toward the left and toward socialism.

A second source advised on September 13, 1960, that the Central Committee of the Young Marxists would consist of [redacted]

A third source advised in November, 1960, that [redacted] were members of the Communist Party (CP) and [redacted] was a member of the District Committee and District Board of the Northwest District Communist Party.

According to the first source, [redacted] stated on December 17, 1960, that it was official that the Marxist - Leninist Young Adult group was allied with the CP as the CP had contributed \$90.00 to the fund to send delegates to the Youth Conference in Chicago.

The first source stated that a meeting of Young Adult Marxist - Leninist groups was held [redacted] at which this group agreed to become a cooperating organization with the Progressive Youth Organizing Committee but would continue to call themselves the Marxist - Leninist Youth Organization.



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The second source advised that a meeting was held at [redacted] at which time the above group ratified Northwest Youth for Progressive Action as the statewide group name.

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Seattle, Washington  
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Character	SECURITY MATTER - C
Reference	Letterhead Memorandum dated July 13, 1961, at Seattle, Washington

All sources (except any listed below) used in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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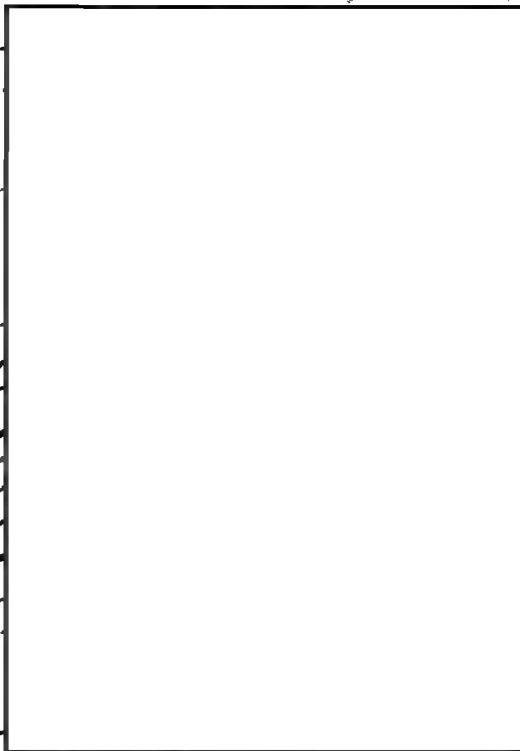
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-264)

SUBJECT: FREEBUS  
RM, CRALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 10-16-2009 BY 60324 UC BAW/SAB/STW*Freedom Riders - Miscellaneous*

On 7/11/61, Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds County, Jackson, Miss., advised that the following Freedom Riders were transferred from the Hinds County Jail and Jackson City Jail, Jackson, Miss. to the Miss. State Penitentiary, Parchman, Miss., on 7/11/61:



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[REDACTED]  
BROWN, ELMER L.

[REDACTED]  
GORDON, ALBERT FORREST

[REDACTED]  
HANSEN, WILLIAM WALTER, JR.

all  
MISS

On 7/11/61, Deputy [REDACTED] Hinds County SO,  
Jackson, Miss., advised that the following Freedom Rider  
prisoners were released on \$500 cash appeal bond 7/11/61:

all  
MISS

[REDACTED] also advised that FR prisoners [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was released 7/11/61 on a \$500 property appeal bond signed  
by [REDACTED] and JOHNNY HAYES, Jackson, Miss.

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The above for info Bureau.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE /157-250/ 1P

*Freedom Riders*  
QUOTE FREEBUS UNQUOTE, SECTION TWO, PROFESSIONAL GROUP. RACIAL

MATTERS. JUDGE LEWIS O. MYERS, MARION COUNTY COURT, OCALA,

FLORIDA ON JULY SEVENTEEN SIXTYONE DENIED MOTIONS FOR NEW

TRIALS FOR FREEDOM RIDERS

JUDGE MYERS SENTENCED SMITH TO PAY FIVE HUNDRED

DOLLAR FINE OR SIX MONTHS IN JAIL PLUS THIRTY DAY JAIL SENTENCE.

SENTENCED TO NINETY DAYS OR TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY

DOLLAR FINE. DEFENSE ATTORNEY ERNEST JACKSON, SR. FILED MOTIONS

OF APPEAL TO FIFTH CIRCUIT COURT. NEXT TERM THIS COURT

SCHEDULED OCTOBER, NINETEEN SIXTYONE.

LEASED ON ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR BONDS EACH PENDING APPEAL.

LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS. P.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (157-363)

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DATE 11-06-2009 BY 60334

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RE: Freedom Riders - Misc.  
PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDERS TRIP  
TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI,  
LEAVING LOS ANGELES JULY 12, 1961  
RACIAL MATTERRe Los Angeles teletype to the Bureau, New Orleans,  
El Paso, Phoenix, and Seattle, 7/12/61.Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight copies  
of a letterhead memo; also enclosed are two copies  
for New Orleans and one copy each for El Paso, Phoenix, and  
Seattle dated 7/12/61, in captioned matter.The source furnishing the information concerning  
the departure of the bus and most of those aboard is \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ whose concealment is deemed advisable.

The informant furnishing the additional names is  
orally to SA \_\_\_\_\_ on 7/12/61.

- 3- Bureau (Enc. 8)
- 2- New Orleans (157-264) (Enc. 2)
- 1- El Paso (Info) (Enc. 1)
- 1- Phoenix (Info) (Enc. 1)
- 1- Seattle (Info) (Enc. 1)
- 4- Los Angeles
  - (1-100-32591)
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Special Agent in Charge

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The information in letterhead memo regarding ROSE ROSENBERG, [REDACTED] was obtained from a review of their respective subject files in the Los Angeles Office.

Attached memo is classified ~~confidential~~ because it contains information from [REDACTED] and other sources, the disclosure of which might compromise these informants and destroy their future effectiveness.



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Los Angeles, California  
July 12, 1961

PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDERS TRIP  
TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, LEAV-  
ING LOS ANGELES JULY 12, 1961

Reference previous memorandum in captioned matter  
dated June 28, July 3 and 7, 1961.

A source, with whom insufficient contact has  
been had to determine reliability but who is in a position  
to know of the activities of the Congress of Racial Equality  
(CORE), advised as follows on July 12, 1961:

The following freedom riders departed via Greyhound  
Bus from Los Angeles, California, at 8:30 a.m. today en route  
to Jackson, Mississippi, by way of Phoenix, El Paso, and  
New Orleans:

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Los Angeles.

[redacted] Los  
Angeles.

[redacted]  
Los Angeles.

[redacted] Los Angeles.

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[redacted] Los

California.

[redacted] California.

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP  
DATE 4/11/88 BY SP1/STW/STW

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ON 3-28-78

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RE: PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDERS TRIP  
TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, LEAVING  
LOS ANGELES JULY 12, 1961

An informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on [redacted] that most of the freedom riders originally scheduled to depart on the bus today withdrew for one reason or another and the others came in at the last minute. In addition to the above, informant advised that [redacted] from Seattle, Washington, and a

[redacted] California, made the trip. Informant stated that [redacted] above, is better known as [redacted]

Concerning three of the above-named people, informants, who have furnished reliable information in the past, have reported the following:

[redacted]  
nee [redacted] also  
known as [redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted] law firm of [redacted]  
Suite 101, 1741 North Ivar Avenue, Los Angeles. She  
resides at [redacted] Los Angeles, with [redacted]

[redacted] transferred from the Communist Party (CP), Alameda, California, to the CP, El Paso, Texas, in 1942. As of April, 1944 she was a member of the [redacted] of the Alameda County CP.

As of February, 1961 [redacted] was a member of the Lawyers Club, Professional-Cultural Section, Southern California District Communist Party (SCDCP). [redacted] was then [redacted]

RE: PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDERS TRIP  
TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, LEAVING  
LOS ANGELES JULY 12, 1961

ROSE ROSENBERG, also  
known as Mrs. Louis Rosenberg

ROSE ROSENBERG, 8333 West Fourth Street, Los  
Angeles, is an attorney-at-law with offices in Room 207,  
2334 Brooklyn Avenue, Los Angeles.

Ariz.  
Tex.

LA.

Miss.

As of 1944 the name of ROSE ROSENBERG was on file  
at CP Headquarters in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. On  
October 29, 1950, ROSE ROSENBERG attended a CP rally held  
at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles. In 1951 she  
attended two socials sponsored by the Western Division,  
Los Angeles County Communist Party (LACCP), and she  
attended a May Day rally at the Embassy Auditorium on  
May 1, 1951, sponsored by the LACCP.

MILTON S. TYRE testified before Public Session  
of the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) at  
Washington, D.C., on January 25, 1952. At this time a  
deposition furnished by TYRE on December 14, 1951, was  
read which revealed that TYRE was a member of the CP from  
about 1944 to 1949, and during this time he identified  
ROSE ROSENBERG as a member of the CP, assigned to the CP  
lawyers group.

ROSE ROSENBERG appeared before a Public Session  
of the HCUA in Los Angeles on October 1, 1952, and  
refused to answer all questions concerning the CP or her  
past or present membership in the CP.

ROSE ROSENBERG attended an open meeting sponsored  
by the LACCP held in Los Angeles on March 13, 1953, which  
was addressed by [redacted] California  
State CP.

ROSE ROSENBERG was a member of the John Reed  
Division, LACCP, about 1955 or prior thereto.

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RE: PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDERS TRIP  
TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, LEAVING  
LOS ANGELES JULY 12, 1961

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ROSE ROSENBERG attended a CP club meeting,  
Beverly-Fairfax Section, SCDP, on April 10, 1957.

[redacted] SCDP, addressed a  
gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. LOUIS ROSENBERG who  
were then living at 933 Foster Drive, Los Angeles, on the  
evening of March 1, 1961. A majority of the people present  
at this time were CP members.

[redacted] also  
known/as [redacted]

[redacted] Los Angeles, *CALIF.*  
is the [redacted] LOS  
Angeles, a member of the National Committee, CP, USA.

[redacted] attended an open youth forum  
sponsored by the Youth Commission of the CP on June 12,  
1959, at Los Angeles.

[redacted] has attended or participated in  
several affairs sponsored by the Independent Student Union  
(see appendix), 1960 - 1961. He attended the May Day rally  
at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, on May 7, 1961,  
the featured speaker being ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, Chairman,  
CP, USA.

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APPENDIX

INDEPENDENT STUDENT UNION

On May 3, 1961, a source advised that the Independent Student Union (ISU) was formed by a group of Los Angeles City College students in March, 1960.

The preamble to the ISU constitution states in part:

"We, the members of the ISU, are dedicated to giving our energies to building a world of peace, wherein the peoples of all lands will not have to live in constant fear of nuclear, biological and chemical warfare.

"We pledge our efforts to ending of all social inequality based upon race, creed or national origin and to further the eradication of discrimination in all walks of American life.

"We affirm the right and value of both students and instructors to take an active role in the political life of the nation, and believe that no restriction should be placed upon the free expression of ideas and opinions within and outside the classroom."

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The source stated that the ISU was originally controlled by three co-chairmen, one of whom was [redacted] a member of the Southern California District Communist Party (CP). In [redacted] was [redacted] the ISU and [redacted] until April, 1961.

The CP, USA has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The source stated the ISU claims to have a membership of 200; however, membership does not necessarily indicate sympathy to the CP.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS

*157-264*  
*Freedom Riders Misc*  
FREEBUS. ALL TWENTY FR ARRESTED JACKSON, MISS., JULY FIFTEEN,  
AND SIXTEEN TRIED IN JACKSON MUNICIPAL COURT JULY SEVENTEEN.

ALL CONVICTED VIOLATION SECTION TWO ZERO EIGHT SEVEN POINT FIVE MISS.

CODE EXCEPT LONE FR [REDACTED] *M.S.* ARRESTED JULY SIXTEEN WAS

CONVICTED VIOLATION SECTION TWO ZERO EIGHT NINE POINT FIVE

MISS. CODE. ALL SENTENCED FOUR MONTHS JAIL AND FINED TWO HUNDRED

DOLLARS. FR [REDACTED] *M.S.* ARRESTED JULY FIFTEEN, WAS ALSO

TRIED ON A SEPARATE [REDACTED] CHARGE IN CONNECTION WITH INCIDENT WHERE-

IN HE REPORTEDLY [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AT GREYHOUND BUS

TERMINAL. [REDACTED] ENTERED NG PLEA. WAS TRIED BEFORE

MUNICIPAL JUDGE AND WAS AQUITTED. NO INCIDENT AT TRIAL. NO FR *W*

ARRESTED OR RELEASED ON BOND OR OTHERWISE SINCE JULY SIXTEEN SUMMARY.

FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF FIVE PM JULY SEVENTEEN. TOTAL ARRESTED

TWO FOUR SEVEN. RELEASED ON BOND NINE NINE. PAID FINES FOUR.

RELEASED TO ATTORNEY ONE. NET IN CUSTODY ONE FOUR THREE. ALL FR

PRISONERS EATING AT HINDS COUNTY AND JACKSON *REC-62 157-382-657* JUL 18 1961

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FROM SAC RICHMOND /157-231/ 2P

*Freedom Riders - Misc*  
FREE BUS, RM. OO NEWARK. RE NEWARK TEL JULY FOURTEEN LAST.

FREE BUS RIDERS, FIVE IN NUMBER, DEPARTED ROANOKE, VA., EIGHT AM  
EST, TRAILWAYS BUS NUMBER TENNESSEE SIX FIVE ZERO, EN ROUTE GALAX,  
VA., SPARTA, N.C., WEST JEFFERSON, N.C., MOUNTAIN CITY, TENN.,  
ELIZABETHTON, TENN., JOHNSON CITY, GREENVILLE AND KNOXVILLE, ALBANY,  
TENN. ARRIVING KNOXVILLE FIVE TEN PM SEVEN FIFTEEN INSTANT.  
THIRTY MINUTE LUNCH STOP SCHEDULED ELIZABETHTON, TENN. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ROANOKE, VA., CONFIDENTIALLY

ADVISED NOT BELIEVED TRAILWAYS CONTRACTOR, ELIZABETHTON, WILL  
SERVE GROUP A MEAL OTHER THAN SANDWICHES BROUGHT TO BUS.

MANAGEMENT, HOLIDAY INN, ROANOKE, VA., WHERE GROUP SPENT NIGHT  
ADVISED GROUP HAD MADE RESERVATIONS AT A NEGRO MOTEL, KNOXVILLE,  
TENN., FOR NIGHT OF JULY FIFTEEN SIXTYONE, IDENTITY OF WHICH JUL 18 1961  
POSSIBLY KNOWN TO MANAGEMENT OF HOLIDAY INN, KNOXVILLE. ALL

HAVE TICKETS FOR CHATTANOOGA, TENN. KNOXVILLE CONDUCT INTERVIEW

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FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS 157-346 2P

*Freebus Riders - Misc*  
FREEBUS, RM, CR. FOLLOWING ARE NAMES AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA FROM  
JACKSON PD RECORDS ON SEVEN FR ARRESTED GREYHOUND TERMINAL, JACKSON,  
JULY SIXTEEN COLON

[REDACTED]	
N. Y.	DOB
[REDACTED]	
EYES	HAIR
[REDACTED]	
[REDACTED] ADMITS	

ARREST NYC FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT, NO DATE, ADMITS PICKETING

NASHVILLE, TENN. [REDACTED] ALSO WOOLWORTH STORE

IN [REDACTED] MEMBER NAACP. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]		N. Y.	DOB
[REDACTED]		N. Y.	[REDACTED]

LBS., [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, STUDENT U. OF BRIDGEPORT, CONN., ADMITS

PICKETING NASHVILLE, TENN., [REDACTED]

STORE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PHILADELPHIA, PA.	DOB	[REDACTED]
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OHIO, [REDACTED] LBS. [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED]

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ADMITS PICKETING AND RACIAL DEMONSTRATIONS IN ST. AUGUSTINE,  
TALLAHASSEE, ST. PETERSBURG, AND MIAMI, FLA., SAVANNAH, GA., AND  
NORFOLK, VA., MEMBER NAACP AND CORE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PA., [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] ILL.,

[REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED] TEACHER. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NY, [REDACTED] N. Y. [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

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MINNESOTA AT MINNEAPOLIS. [REDACTED]

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 SUBJECT: FREEDOM RIDERS *misc*  
 RACIAL MATTERS

Re Memphis and Mobile tels to Bureau and interested offices, 7/8 and 7/9/61, respectively.

Enclosed herewith is the original and 7 copies of a letterhead memorandum.

Copies of this airtel with the enclosures are submitted to the 4 southern offices in view of their continuing interest in the subject matter.

The files of the Chicago Office contain no subversive information concerning the individuals \_\_\_\_\_ mentioned in the letterhead memo.

For the information of the Bureau, OSI, Chicago by letter dated 2/19/57 advised that \_\_\_\_\_ was a member of the University of Chicago Students Independent Voters League. Also for information, the Chicago files reflect \_\_\_\_\_ is a member of the American Friends Service Committee, a Quaker organization.

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FREEDOM RIDERS  
RACIAL MATTERS

In the July 10, 1961 issue of the "Chicago Sun-Times", a Chicago daily newspaper, on page 7, columns 1 through 4, appeared an article captioned "17 More Freedom Riders Arrested in Mississippi; Total Tops 200 Mark". This article was datelined Jackson, Mississippi.

The article stated the Freedom Riders (FR) arrested are now over 200 with the arrest of 17 more FRs in Jackson, Mississippi, on Sunday, July 9, 1961.

Four of the FRs, all from Chicago, Illinois, were identified as follows:

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G-2, Chicago and the Chicago Police Department were advised of the above information on July 10, 1961.

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SUBJECT: CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY, aka  
CORE FREEDOM RIDERS,  
CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE  
RACIAL MATTERS

*Free Riders - Miscellaneous*

Re Knoxville air-tel to Bureau dated 7/12/61.

Submitted herewith is one copy of each of  
the four following newspaper articles which appeared  
in daily publications, Chattanooga, Tennessee:

1. CHATTANOOGA NEWS-FREE PRESS,  
7/12/61, entitled "Dunlap Asks  
No Disorder Over Riders."
2. CHATTANOOGA NEWS-FREE PRESS, 7/12/61  
editorial entitled, "For Peace and Honor".
3. CHATTANOOGA DAILY TIMES, 7/13/61,  
entitled, "No Bus Segregation Here,  
Nothing For Riders to Test".
4. CHATTANOOGA DAILY TIMES, 7/13/61,  
entitled, "No Issue".

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## Dunlap Asks No Disorder Over 'Riders'

Commissioner H. P. Dunlap said today that if the so-called "freedom riders" come to Chattanooga tomorrow or Friday as reported he hopes "all the public" will cooperate to avoid disorder.

A report from Newark, N.J., said an integrated group of seven planned to visit Chattanooga as part of a Southern tour of transportation facilities. The Rev. Joseph R. Randall, pastor of the Little Friendship Baptist Church at Newark, identified himself as one of the group.

Mayor P. R. Olgiati said he had no suggestions for any special precautionary measures in the event of the visit. His comment today was "Let 'em ride."

Commissioner Dunlap said, "We have been informed that the freedom riders will visit Chattanooga either Thursday or Friday as they have visited other cities throughout the country. The police department will do everything within its power to preserve law and order. We trust there will be no real disturbances and we ask for the full cooperation of all the people in helping us to prevent any disorder within our city."

Chattanooga News-  
Free Press  
Date 7-12-61  
Chattanooga,  
Tennessee  
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# CHATTANOOGA NEWS-FREE PRESS

ROY McDONALD  
President and Publisher

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Treasurer

LEE ANDERSON  
Editor

Published Each Afternoon Except Sunday

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 1961

## For Peace and Honor

Trouble-makers of the racial group called CORE have announced plans to send an agitating gang through Chattanooga. It is scheduled to leave Newark, N.J. Thursday morning.

There is one proper way for Chattanooga to meet this challenge.

It should be the hope of every Chattanooga that the agitators may come and go without being successful in creating any demonstration or trouble.

Let's ignore them as much as possible.

Let there be no gathering of any crowd.

Let police be quietly alerted to maintain the peace.

Then let the agitating bus riders, if they come, pass right on through.

Let's disappoint them and defeat them by depriving them of any "incident."

But if the troublemakers engage in disorderly conduct or seek to incite a riot, let the jail doors swing open readily, as they have so effectively in maintenance of the peace in Jackson, Miss.

It is our hope that when the agitators have come and gone, Chattanooga will have been without disruption, and will be able to claim that it has conducted itself with propriety and honor.

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# No Bus Segregation Here, Nothing for Riders to Test

By SPRINGER GIBSON

The Southeastern Greyhound and Trailways bus terminals here do not have policies of segregation, it was reported Wednesday.

A group of seven Freedom Riders is scheduled to leave Newark, N.J., today for Chattanooga and will be expected to test the racial practices in the terminals.

G. O. Hendrix of Southeastern Greyhound said that in compliance with the Supreme Court ruling there hasn't been a policy of segregation at the Greyhound terminal here for a long time.

E. R. Webb, manager of the Trailways terminal, said he had no comment when asked about the policy at the Trailways terminal relative to segregation.

It was learned, however, that in compliance with Interstate Commerce Commission regulations based on the Supreme Court ruling Trailways now has no sign requiring segregation and is not attempting to enforce segregation.

The Associated Press reported that the group plans to leave New York at 8:15 a.m. EDT Thursday on a Greyhound bus scheduled to arrive in Chattanooga at 4:55 a.m. EST Friday.

Commissioner Dunlap said that the police department will do all in its power to keep law and order and asked for the full cooperation of the citizens toward that end.

The commissioner said:

"We have been informed that the Freedom Riders will visit Chattanooga either Thursday or Friday as they have visited other cities throughout the country.

The police department will

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## NO SEGREGATION FOR BUSES HERE

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do everything within its power to preserve law and order. We trust there will be no real disturbances and we ask for the full cooperation of all the people in helping us to prevent any disorder within our city."

Meanwhile the Rev. Joseph R. Randall, Newark pastor and spokesman for the group, said he was happy to hear there was no segregation at the Chattanooga terminal.

"We're very glad then the Freedom Riders will only enjoy the hospitality extended under the auspices of the Greyhound company," he said.

He added the Freedom Riders plan to go to Memphis, after leaving Chattanooga "and then may go into Alabama."

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**No Issue**

As of now, there is no issue for the "Freedom Rider" group reportedly planning to leave New Jersey for Chattanooga this morning.

A Times survey indicates that, in accordance with Supreme Court decisions, there are now no compulsorily segregated bus terminal facilities in Chattanooga.

The issue has been resolved.

The only remaining question would be violence, provoked or unprovoked, against persons in interstate transit. Such would be the product only of sick or inflamed minds. And such will be dealt with swiftly and straight down the hard path of law and order by Police Chief Ed Brown and his men. We say without any hesitation whatever, at the same time, that visitors to this city will find Chattanoogaans are above that sort of thing.

We repeat: there is no "Freedom Rider" issue.

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Daily Times  
Date 7-13-61  
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Tennessee  
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Re: Knoxville teletype to Bureau and Newark, 7/11/61.

Enclosed to the Bureau are 8 copies of letterhead  
memo, Knoxville, dated 7/12/61, in captioned matter.One copy of this letterhead memo submitted to Newark  
and New York for information. Copies have been disseminated  
locally to intelligence agencies.Confidential Knoxville Informant T-1 mentioned in  
enclosed letterhead memo is [redacted] This matter will  
be followed closely and developments furnished immediately to  
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Knoxville, Tennessee  
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CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY,  
Aka, CORE (FREEDOM RIDERS);  
CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE,  
JULY 13, 1961.  
RACIAL MATTERS

A UPI news release, datelined Newark, New Jersey, reported in Chattanooga News-Free Press, July 11, 1961, a daily publication Chattanooga, Tennessee, that seven New Jersey Freedom Riders, including three clergymen, will leave Wednesday night for a trip to Chattanooga, Tennessee. The expedition reportedly sponsored by a group composed of thirteen New Jersey organizations, including the State CIO Council and the Americans for Democratic Action.

An AP news release datelined Newark, New Jersey, appearing in Chattanooga Daily Times, July 12, 1961, a daily publication Chattanooga, Tennessee, reported The Reverend JOSEPH R. RANDALL of the Little Friendship Baptist Church in Newark said Tuesday, July 11, 1961, that seven Freedom Riders will leave Newark Thursday morning for Chattanooga, Tennessee. He identified four of these seven as himself, CLARENCE PACE from Newark, JOHN C. HARVARD of Elizabeth, New Jersey, and Rabbi SIDNEY D. SHANKEN of Cranford, New Jersey. He did not release the names of the others. *Tenn.* *N.J.* *Tenn.*

RANDALL said training sessions for the Freedom Riders were scheduled for Tuesday night and Wednesday at a church in Newark. He also advised a rally will be held Wednesday night, and the chief speaker will be JAMES FARMER, National Chairman of CORE. *N.J.*

The above information was furnished to [redacted] CIC Agent, Chattanooga, Tennessee, 8 PM, July 11, 1961, and to Inspector [redacted] in charge of Detectives, Chattanooga Police Department, 8:15 AM, July 12, 1961. *b6* *b7C* *b7D*

Confidential Knoxville Informant T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised a regular weekly closed, scheduled meeting of Klavern #1, Dixie Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., was held at [redacted] Tennessee, on Tuesday night, [redacted] at which time members mentioned the article re Freedom Riders to arrive Chattanooga, Tennessee. [redacted] Exalted Cyclops, this Klavern, reportedly told members to stay away from the bus terminal and do nothing about this matter. No activity of any description was discussed or planned re above incident at this meeting. *Tenn.*

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS, NEW YORK, RICHMOND AND KNOXVILLE

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON  
*Freedom Riders - MISC.*  
FROM SAC, NEWARK /157-603/ 3 P

FREE BUS, RM. REBUTEL AND NEWARK TEL TO BUREAU THIS DATE.

[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED AND FURNISHED FOLLOWING,  
QUOTE COMMITTEE FOR SUPPORT OF FREEDOM RIDERS UNQUOTE, WILL  
HOLD PUBLIC RALLY EIGHT PM THIS DATE IN NEWARK PARK. JAMES  
FARMER, NATIONAL DIRECTOR OF CORE WILL BE PRINCIPAL SPEAKER.  
COMMITTEE FORMED TO OVERCOME OBJECTIONS SOME SUPPORTERS HAVE TO  
OPENLY SUPPORTING CORE ACTIVITY. RALLY ORIGINALLY PLANNED AS  
SENDOFF FOR CHARTERED BUS LOAD OF FREEDOM RIDERS ORIGINALLY  
EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN TEST RIDE. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED]  
AGITATION AND HECKLING BY MEMBERS OF NATION OF ISLAM EXPECTED  
AT RALLY. SINCE ALL BUT SMALL NUMBER OF THOSE WHO ORIGINALLY  
PLEGGED TO TAKE RIDE HAVE RENEGED, SMALL GROUP OF FOUR OR FIVE  
WILL DEPART GREYHOUND BUS TERMINAL, THIRTY FOURTH ST., NYC  
SEVEN AM, JULY THIRTEEN NEXT ON GREYHOUND BUS SCHEDULED TO  
ARRIVE CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA. AT THREE PM SAME DAY. RIDERS WILL INCLUDE

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ONE OF FOLLOWING WILL ACCOMPANY ABOVE, REV. FNU ~~TAYLOR~~, NM, SIXTY, TENN.  
SIX FEET, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY LBS., GRAYING HAIR, LIGHT SKIN,  
DARK HORNED RIMMED GLASSES, WILL PROBABLY WEAR CLERGY FROCK,  
DISTINGUISHED LOOKING, OR

SHIRT AND

TROUSERS. EACH OF ABOVE WILL HAVE

ONE PIECE OF OVERNIGHT LUGGAGE SUCH AS QUOTE TWO SUITER UNQUOTE  
AND NONE WILL WEAR ANYTHING TO DISTINGUISH HIM AS QUOTE FREEDOM  
RIDER UNQUOTE. AFTER NY DEPARTURE, EACH WILL OCCUPY SEPARATE  
SEATS IN ORDER TO AVOID DETECTION AS GROUP. NO DIFFICULTIES  
CONTEMPLATED BETWEEN NYC AND CHARLOTTESVILLE. AT CHARLOTTESVILLE,  
GROUP WILL ATTEMPT TO SPEND NIGHT AT THOMAS JEFFERSON INN MOTEL  
LOCATED ON OUTSKIRTS WHERE THEY HAVE CONFIRMED RESERVATIONS.  
DID NOT ADVISE MOTEL THAT GROUP IS INTEGRATED SO SOME DIFFICULTY  
IS EXPECTED THERE. GROUP PLANS TO DEPART CHARLOTTESVILLE  
MORNING OF JULY FOURTEEN NEXT BY BUS FOR CHATTANOOGA, TENN.  
WHERE THEY EXPECT TO ARRIVE SIX OR EIGHT PM, JULY FOURTEEN NEXT.

DOES NOT HAVE EXACT TIME OF DEPARTURE CHARLOTTESVILLE.

HE STATED THAT BETWEEN ROANOKE, VA. AND CHATTANOOGA, BUS WILL  
MAKE SEVERAL REGULARLY SCHEDULED REST STOPS WHERE GROUP PLANS TO  
TEST SEGREGATED REST ROOMS. HE STATED THAT INASMUCH AS THESE  
STOPS ARE NOT ICC REGULATED STOPS, GROUP WILL OBSERVE LOCAL  
SEGREGATION LAWS IS SO ORDERED BY POLICE BUT WILL IGNORE ORDERS  
OF PROPRIETORS. UPON ARRIVAL AT CHATTANOOGA BUS TERMINAL,  
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GROUP WILL TEST REST ROOM AND LUNCH COUNTER SEGREGATION LAWS.

IF LAWS ARE ENFORCED, GROUP WILL BE JOINED IN THEIR SIT-IN BY MEMBERS OF LOCAL CHAPTER OF CORE. IF LAWS NOT ENFORCED, GROUP

WILL JOIN PUBLIC RALLY PLANNED BY LOCAL CHAPTER OF CORE. [REDACTED]

ADVISED THAT IF GROUP IS ARRESTED, THEY PLAN TO REMAIN JAILED

FOR QUOTE MONTH OR TWO UNQUOTE. HE STATED THAT [REDACTED]

OF CHATTANOOGA CORE IS PRESENTLY QUOTE NEGOTIATING UNQUOTE WITH AUTHORITIES IN HOPE OF ENDING SEGREGATION AT BUS TERMINAL BEFORE GROUP ARRIVES. ALL OFFICES DISSEMINATE ABOVE TO APPROPRIATE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES AND KEEP BUREAU ADVISED OF PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS EN ROUTE.

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Palo Alto, California

Dear [REDACTED]

I have received your letter of June 27 and appreciate the interest which prompted your communication.

In response to your request, I would like to point out that the FBI is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, individual or publication. I am sure you can realize my position in being unable to comment relative to the groups or organizations to which you refer. In addition, I can inform you that Mr. Karl Prussion was not employed as a Special Agent of this Bureau. He furnished information to the FBI for which he was compensated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Bufiles contain no record for correspondent. Karl Prussion testified before House Committee on Un-American Activities on 5-13-60 and stated that he was a former member of the CP. He was a security informant of the San Francisco Office from 1949 to 1958 when he was discontinued after he disclosed his informant status to newspapermen.

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June 27, 1961

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The cause of the "Freedom Riders" is gaining considerable popular support in this area. The Commission on Christian Social Concerns of the First Methodist Church of Palo Alto, California, of which I am Chairman, is going to consider giving moral and financial support to the "Freedom Riders" at our next meeting, presently scheduled for August 2, 1961. *misc*

I know that the members of the Commission would like very much to aid the fight against discrimination in the South but I also know that they would not want to be responsible for turning the funds contributed by the members of the church over to the wrong people.

We have heard many rumours that the "Freedom Riders" are "communist led". The leading exponent on this subject in this area is Mr. Karl Prussion, a former agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

We would appreciate very much any information which you could have forwarded to us concerning the "Freedom Riders" and would be particularly grateful for specific information as to what individuals or groups we can safely send our money to, if any.

From time to time during the coming year, many requests will be made of our Commission for funds for various causes similar to the "Freedom Riders". For future reference, I wonder if it will be possible for you to direct me to a department

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in your organization or to an individual to which or to whom we could turn for rapid information as to the true nature of some of these groups or organizations. I would like very much to be able to send to someone in your organization a description of the names of the individuals and organizations to whom we desire to send money from time to time, and to receive a reply and recommendation within two weeks.

Any assistance which you or your department can render to us along these lines will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,



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The Commission on Christian Social Concerns,  
First Methodist Church, Palo Alto, California

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TO: DIRECTOR FBI

FROM: SAC NEW ORLEANS (157-264)

SUBJECT: FREEBUS  
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On 6/28/61, Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds County, Jackson, Miss., advised that the following ~~Freedom Riders~~ <sup>MISC</sup> prisoners who had been confined at the Jackson City Jail and at the Hinds County Jail, Jackson, were transferred to the Miss. State Penitentiary, Parchman, Miss., 6/28/61:



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Above for info of Bureau and Memphis.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (~~95-97052~~)  
 FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-264-B)  
 SUBJECT: RE: FREEBUS

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RM FREEDOM RIDERS MISC

Re New Orleans Airtel to Director dated 6/28/61.

The following are cumulative costs incurred in this case in the New Orleans Division as of close of business 7/1/61:

	Regular Hours	Overtime Hours
Agents	427	234
Clerical	407	16

Miles driven: 3,933

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-373)

FROM: SAC, PITTSBURGH (157-NEW)

SUBJECT: FREEDOM RIDE, 1961  
RM; CR  
(OO: New Orleans)ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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Re New York airtel to Bureau, 6/30/61.

The sources of the information set forth in paragraph 3 of reairtel are as follows:

[Redacted]

The name and address of [Redacted]

Pa... appeared on a [Redacted]  
[Redacted] - Anonymous

[Redacted] attended a mass protest meeting sponsored by the CP of Western Pennsylvania held in Pittsburgh on [Redacted] MATTHEW CVETIC, former member of the CP in Western Pennsylvania, who regularly furnished information to the FBI from 1942 to 1/50. (Not necessary to conceal identity)

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- 2 - New York (157-391)(RM)
- 1 - New Orleans (157-307)(RM)
- 1 - Pittsburgh

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It is noted that Pittsburgh's file re [redacted] reflects her last known address as [redacted]. Report of SA [redacted] Pittsburgh, 1/14/52, indicates that in [redacted] moved to New York to join [redacted] (Bufile [redacted] (NY file [redacted]), who was [redacted] [redacted] has been connected with CP financial dealings in the past.

[redacted] file at Pittsburgh contains no additional information concerning her current address or members of her family.

Pittsburgh did not receive Albany airtel to Bureau, 6/12/61, captioned, "FREEBUS; RM," and, therefore, does not have the source of the information set forth in paragraph 1 of reairtel of 6/30/61 or the necessary information to document the fact that [redacted] who was connected with the CP in Pittsburgh.

In view of the above, New York is requested to handle preparation of letterhead memorandum in instant case.

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FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (157-26)

SUBJECT: FREEBUS

*FREEDOM RIDERS MISC*

Re New Orleans airtel to Bureau, 7/3/61.

Minneapolis files reflect that [redacted]

Minnesota, is the [redacted] of four security index subjects  
of the Minneapolis Office [redacted][redacted] No contact with [redacted]  
will be made at this time.

[redacted] advised [redacted] that [redacted] *MINN*  
who has been in contact with the National CORE Office,  
is attempting to organize a second group of Freedom  
Riders from the Twin Cities but that because colleges  
and universities are now in summer recess no students  
can be found to organize such a group at this time.  
PSI believed that this difficulty would preclude any  
additional Freedom Riders from this area until September,  
1961.

Minneapolis will advise of any future contem-  
plated Freedom Riders originating from this division. *am*

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  - 1 - Memphis (Info.)
  - 1 - Minneapolis
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-373)  
FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-45748)

DATE: 7/11/61

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SUBJECT: FREEBUS  
RACIAL MATTER

FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS  
(OO - New Orleans)

Re Philadelphia letter dated 6/26/61.

Enclosed herewith are five copies for the Bureau and two for New Orleans of a self-explanatory letterhead memorandum. One copy is being forwarded to WFO for information.

- instant memo -  
SA [redacted]

- instant memo -  
SA [redacted]

The enclosed letterhead memorandum is classified ~~Confidential~~ because the data reported by the two sources could reasonably result in the identification of these Confidential Informants.

- 2 - Bureau (157-373) (Encls. - 5) (Registered Mail)  
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    (1 - 100-45748)  
    (1 - 100-33785 - CORE)  
    (1 - 100-33144 - CPUSA - YOUTH MATTERS)  
    (1 - 100-45765 - PHILADELPHIA FREEDOM RIDERS COMMITTEE)

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2 cc's to [redacted] 2 cc's to [redacted]  
Agency [redacted] 2 cc's to [redacted]  
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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

July 11, 1961 DECLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY DERIVED FROM:  
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FREEDOM RIDERS

On June 28, 1961, PH T-1 advised that [redacted] had recently mentioned that all members of the Communist Party (CP) Youth Club, who are not employed or who can afford to take off up to thirty days from their job, are to participate in the "Freedom Riders: trips to the South sponsored by the Committee of Racial Equality (CORE).

[redacted] according to PH T-1, is [redacted] Communist Party, Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware (CPEPD), and a member of [redacted] Communist Party, USA (CPUSA).

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[redacted] said that [redacted] had left on a "Freedom Riders" trip on June 22, 1961. When [redacted] returns, [redacted] will go. The plan is to have the local CP youth members go in pairs at spaced intervals. One pair will not leave until the previous pair is ready to return.

On July 10, 1961, PH T-2 advised that [redacted] was [redacted] and [redacted] was an active member of [redacted] CPEPD. [redacted] is also a member of the [redacted] CPEPD.

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Party  
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Delaware

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[redacted] is described as follows:

Race:  
Sex:  
Date of Birth:

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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

July 11, 1961

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FREEDOM RIDERS

Character

Reference

Memorandum dated and captioned  
as above.

All sources (except any listed below) used in referenced  
communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI ~~(157-373)~~

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (157-369)

FREEDOM RIDE, 1961

RM; CR *Freedom Riders - Misc.*

Re New Orleans airtel to Bureau dated 6/30/61.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination. Information copies for Milwaukee and New Orleans.

The source utilized in this memorandum is PST (under development) \_\_\_\_\_

who resides at \_\_\_\_\_

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Miami, Florida

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Re: FREEDOM RIDE, 1961

[redacted] a source, with whom insufficient contact has been had to judge his reliability but who is in a position to furnish reliable information, [redacted] The source advised that this group had made arrangements to travel to Cuba for a Christmas tour on Cubana Airlines, the tour being sponsored by the Fair Play For Cuba Committee.

[redacted] names was one [redacted] Wisconsin, who departed Miami on Cubana Airlines Flight 803A on December 23, 1960.

*Cuba  
FIA*

As previously reported, [redacted] was a Freedom Rider arrested [redacted] at Jackson, Mississippi, and released on bond [redacted] He is described as [redacted] eyes, [redacted] hair, [redacted] complexion. At time of arrest he furnished his address as [redacted] Wisconsin. He listed his father as [redacted] and his mother as [redacted] same address. *Wisc*

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FROM DIRECTOR FBI

*FREEDOM RIDERS MISC*

FREEBUS RM. RENO TEL JULY NINE LAST. SL DETERMINE NUMBER OF  
FREEDOM RIDERS, IDENTITIES, AVAILABLE BACKGROUND INFORMATION,  
METHOD OF TRAVEL, TIME OF DEPARTURE, VERIFY DEPARTURE AND KEEP  
BU, LR AND NO CURRENTLY ADVISED OF ALL DEVELOPMENTS. IF NECESSARY  
TO OBTAIN THIS INFORMATION AND IN THE ABSENCE OF INFORMATION IN  
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1 - New Orleans (by mail) (info)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Rosen *RW*

DATE: July 10, 1961

FROM :

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At 10:25 p. m. , Eastern Daylight Saving Time, ASAC Whaley of the Little Rock Office telephonically advised that the five Freedom Riders *m16c* enroute from St. Louis to New Orleans arrived at Little Rock by a Trailways bus about 7:45 p. m. , (Little Rock time). These Riders alighted from the bus and entered the bus terminal. Approximately 250 people had gathered at the bus station. Inasmuch as the local police department felt that a possible disturbance would occur if the Freedom Riders did not leave the police asked them to leave. The Freedom Riders refused and they again asked them to leave. When they refused the local police took into custody all five of the Freedom Riders and at the time of the phone call from ASAC Whaley they were being booked on a charge of "causing a public disturbance."

ACTION BEING TAKEN:

ASAC Whaley advised that Agents of the Little Rock Office are closely following this matter and when further details are received they will be promptly furnished to the Bureau.

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TO DIRECTOR /8/157-373 AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS 157-307

FROM SAC, NEW YORK 157-391 1 PAGE

FREEBUS. [REDACTED] CALLED NEW YORK OFFICE

FIVE THIRTY PM TODAY CONCERNING THE FREEDOM RIDE WHICH ORIGINATED

IN ST. LOUIS AND WHICH WILL PASS THROUGH SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA,

JULY ELEVEN. [REDACTED] ADVISES THAT HE HAS HEARD FROM SOME OF HIS PEOPLE

IN SHREVEPORT WHO STATE THAT THE SITUATION THERE IS VERY TENSE

AS A RESULT OF PUBLICITY GIVEN TO THIS MATTER ON THE RADIO. [REDACTED]

STATED THAT THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT THE "CLAN" MAY BE ACTIVE.

SUGGEST NEW ORLEANS FURNISH THIS INFORMATION TO SHREVEPORT POLICE

DEPT. AND LOUISIANA STATE POLICE. REC-37

CORRECT DATE TO READ 7-0 XXX 7-10-61

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/10/61

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (157-311)

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SUBJECT: FREEBUS  
RACIAL MATTERS; CIVIL RIGHTS  
OF FREEDOM RIDERS MISC

Re Los Angeles teletype, 7/8/61.

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There are no identifiable references contained in  
the files of the Baltimore office concerning

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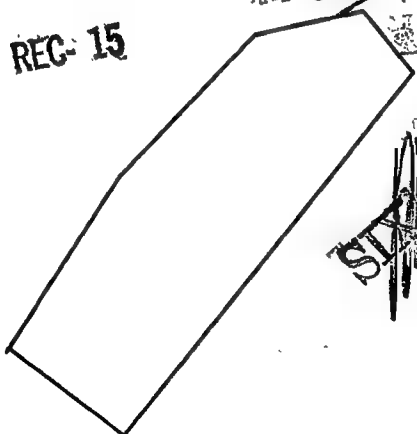
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (95-97032)

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FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-264B)

SUBJECT: FREEBUS  
RM0-FREEDOM RIDERS MISC

Re New Orleans airtel to Bureau dated 7/5/61.

The following are cumulative costs incurred in  
this case in the New Orleans Division as of close of business  
7/8/61:

	<u>Regular Hours</u>	<u>Overtime Hours</u>
Agents	499	259
Clerical	503	16

Miles driven: 4,163

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Approved: [Signature]  
OCT 27 1961 Special Agent in Charge

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The Attorney General

July 19, 1961

Director, FBI

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FREEDOM RIDE 1961  
RACIAL MATTERS; DESTRUCTION OF  
AIRCRAFT OR MOTOR VEHICLES; CIVIL RIGHTS

No freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, since July 16, 1961. There has been no change in the status of those previously arrested except that Elmer Brown, a prisoner at Mississippi State Penitentiary, Parchman, Mississippi, allegedly fell from his bunk at approximately 11:00 p.m. on July 18, 1961. It was reportedly determined at a hospital in Greenwood, Mississippi, that Brown has a fractured skull but is not seriously injured. He was removed to the University of Mississippi hospital at Jackson, Mississippi, for observation and treatment.

James Luther Bevel and [redacted] of the Jackson Nonviolent Movement were convicted in Jackson Municipal Court on July 18, 1961, on charges of contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Each was charged with one count and each was sentenced to serve six months in jail and was fined five hundred dollars. On July 19, 1961, Bevel is to be tried on three additional counts and [redacted] is to be tried on two additional counts. The charges are based upon allegations that Bevel and [redacted] have caused minors to engage in sit-ins at Jackson.

The five freedom riders who left New York on July 13, 1961, and arrived in Chattanooga, Tennessee, on July 16, 1961, entered a Howard Johnson restaurant in Chattanooga on July 17, 1961. They were refused service and were asked to leave. They departed after the police arrived and read them a loitering statute.

The freedom riders at Chattanooga are scheduled to depart by Greyhound bus at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, July 19, 1961, and will arrive in Memphis, Tennessee, at 6:30 p.m., Central Standard Time (CST), July 19, 1961. The bus is scheduled to pass through Monteagle, Tennessee, at

1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Evans

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**The Attorney General**

10:15 a.m., CST. It has been previously reported that klansmen discussed the possibility of shooting at the bus when it goes through Monteagle Pass. Local authorities have been alerted.

Three Negro ministers previously filed suit in U. S. District Court, Tallahassee, Florida, seeking to end segregation of the airport restaurant in Tallahassee. A preliminary hearing held on July 18, 1961, was limited to legal arguments. The matter was taken under advisement by the court and all parties to the suit were given five days in which to file new briefs. A date for future hearings will be set after the briefs have been filed.

The Department will be advised of further developments on a current basis.

- 1 - Mr. Byron R. White  
Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General  
Burke Marshall
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General  
Herbert J. Miller, Jr.

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URGENT 7-15-61 4-55 AM CST TJB

TO DIRECTOR FBI

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS

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FEEEBUS, CR, RM.

SHREVEPORT,

LA. TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT FOUR FREEDOM RIDERS WHO ARRIVED SHREVEPORT JULY FOURTEEN WOULD BE AT BUS STATION ONE FORTYFIVE AM JULY FIFTEEN ACCOMPANIED BY SEVEN ADDITIONAL RIDERS, TO DEPART AT TWO AM FOR NEW ORLEANS, THEY WOULD TEST FACILITIES PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. FR ARRIVED BUS STATION ONE FORTYFIVE AM FIVE NEGRO MALES, FOUR NEGRO FEMALES, ONE WHITE MALE AND ONE WHITE FEMALE ENTERED WHITE WAITING ROOM WHERE CHIEF OF POLICE HARVEY TEASLEY TALKED TO THEM FOR A MOMENT AND J. EARL DOWNS, COMMISSIONAIRE OF PUBLIC SAFETY ASKED THEM IF THEY WANTED TO CATCH THE BUS, THEY SAID YES THEN WALKED OUT OF WAITING ROOM, SAME DOOR THEY CAME IN. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT ONLY ONE FR RECRUITED IN SHREVEPORT, WILL ACCOMPANY THE FOUR WHO ARRIVED HERE YESTERDAY, NAMELY [REDACTED] NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED. HE IS ACCOMPANING THE FOUR FR TO NEW ORLEANS. IDENTITY OF OTHERS IN ADDITION TO KNOWN FR WHO ENTERED WAITING ROOM NOT KNOWN. [REDACTED] ADVISED THEY HELD TICKETS FOR WASKOM, TEXAS AND THEY ONLY ASSISTED IN TESTING OPERATION AND THAT THEY ALL RETURNED TO THEIR HOMES SHREVEPORT.

GROUP DEPARTED SHREVEPORT TWO ZERO SEVEN AM TRAILWAYS BUS NUMBER FIVE ONE THREE TWO, BEARING LA., LICENSE NINE SEVEN SEVEN DASH SEVEN SIX FOUR DUE TO ARRIVE NEW ORLEANS ELEVEN TEN AM.

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To: SAC, Los Angeles

From: Director, FBI

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Reurtel July 13, 1961.

You should maintain close liaison with your sources to assure that you will receive promptly information concerning the Congress of Racial Equality sponsored group of freedom riders planning to leave Santa Monica, California, on July 28, next.

Unless some reason exists for not doing so, you should consider contacting a reliable source at CORE to determine details of freedom riders.

1 - New Orleans (Info)

NOTE:

LA by reference teletype mentioned a possible group of freedom riders leaving Santa Monica, California.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS

FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES /157-367/ 2P

*0 9 FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS*

FREEBUS. INFORMANT ADVISED THIS DATE THAT A CORE SPONSORED

GROUP OF FREEDOM RIDERS PLAN TO LEAVE FROM SANTA MONICA,  
CALIFORNIA, ON JULY TWENTY EIGHT NEXT. THOSE TENTATIVELY  
SCHEDULED TO GO ARE

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, Cal.  
[REDACTED]  
LOS ANGELES, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SANTA MONICA, CALIF., [REDACTED]

MALIBU, CALIF. [REDACTED] NO ADDRESS, [REDACTED] NO  
ADDRESS. LOS ANGELES INDICES CONTAIN NO SUBVERSIVE DATE  
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Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
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READILY IDENTIFIABLE WITH ABOVE OTHER THAN LETTER FROM  
OSI, MAYWOOD, CALIF. DATED MARCH NINE, NINETEEN FIFTY NINE,  
STATING THAT ONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIF., FORMERLY EMPLOYED BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIF., WAS REPORTED BY FELLOW EMPLOYEES

TO HAVE ENGAGED IN DISCUSSIONS OF A POLITICAL NATURE IN THE  
PLANT, PARTICULARLY WITH REFERENCE TO COMMUNIST AND MARXIST  
THEORIES AND HAD REPORTEDLY BROUGHT MARXIST LITERATURE  
TO THE PLANT IN AN EFFORT TO PROVE HIS POINTS. [REDACTED]

DESCRIBED [REDACTED]

POUNDS,

[REDACTED] EYES

HAIR, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INFORMANT ADVISED

THAT BASED ON PAST EXPERIENCE, MANY WHO EARLY AGREE TO GO  
WITHDRAW BEFORE DEPARTURE TIME AND ARE  
REPLACED BY OTHERS JUST PRIOR TO DEPARTURE TIME. THIS MATTER WILL  
BE FOLLOWED AND BUREAU ADVISED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 7-14-61

FROM : A. Rosen

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SUBJECT: FREEBUS

FREEDOM RIDERS- MISC.

SYNOPSIS:

[redacted] arrested as freedom rider in Jackson, Mississippi, 6-6-61 and released on bond 6-24-61, may be identical with [redacted] who went to Cuba 12-23-60 on a tour sponsored by the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

Four Negroes arrested at drugstore sit-in, Jackson, 7-13-61. Advance information given press by Jackson Nonviolent Movement.

Freedom riders who were arrested at Little Rock 7-10-61 and released 7-12-61 on condition they return home, later rejected condition and surrendered to police. On 7-13-61 they were again released on condition they immediately leave Arkansas without further testing of facilities in Arkansas.

The four freedom riders released at Little Rock intend to continue their trip arriving at Shreveport, Louisiana, by bus 11:20 a.m., 7-14-61, however, they allegedly will not test facilities at Shreveport.

Informant states ten freedom riders plan to leave Santa Monica, California, 7-28-61. Destination not yet known.

[redacted] states 27 SNCC delegates will hold [redacted] meeting at [redacted] Civic Interest Group is acting as host.

SNCC has requested audiences with Chairman, Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) and Civil Rights Division (CRD), Department of Justice, to discuss rights of Negroes in the South, but replies to SNCC letters have not been received. [redacted] therefore planned on coming to Washington to contact ICC and perhaps CRD.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

[ ] says freedom walk from Baltimore to Washington, 7-16-61, is not definite since it would require approval of SNCC delegates and Civic Interest Group. SNCC delegates plan to contact Adam Clayton Powell and other Congressmen regarding civil rights, 7-17-61. Will also go to office of Chairman, ICC, and to CRD 7-17-61 to request civil rights action.

If SNCC is denied audience by ICC and CRD, some action will probably be taken to dramatize injustices suffered by Negroes in the South. This may be a sit-in, picketing or the contacting of Congressmen and Government officials.

Five freedom riders who originally intended to go to Chattanooga, left New York City 7-13-61 and were accommodated without incident at Thomas Jefferson Inn, Charlottesville, Virginia, on the evening of 7-13-61. They have changed their plans and apparently no longer intend to go to Chattanooga. After arriving in Charlottesville they made inquiry regarding bus schedules to Nashville, Tennessee.

[ ] is to advise Newark Office on morning of 7-14-61 as to further itinerary of freedom riders who went from New York to Charlottesville 7-13-61.

ACTION:

A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

DETAILS:

Two hundred twenty-seven freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, since 5-24-61. Ninety have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines and one has been released without the filing of charges. One hundred thirty-two remain in custody.

[redacted] from Madison, Wisconsin, was arrested as a freedom rider at Jackson 6-6-61 and was released on bond 6-24-61. In December, 1960, 204 individuals made arrangements to travel to Cuba on Cubana Airlines on a tour sponsored by the Fair Play for Cuba Committee. Listed among the 204 names was one [redacted] of Madison, Wisconsin, who departed from Miami for Cuba 12-23-60. *Miss FLA Beech*

Four Negroes were arrested in Jackson 7-13-61 when they sat at a lunch counter in a Walgreen drugstore and refused to move on when ordered to do so by the police. The Jackson Nonviolent Movement furnished advance information concerning this sit-in to the press.

The four freedom riders who were arrested at Little Rock on 7-10-61 were released 7-12-61 with suspended sentences on the condition that they return home, but they later rejected this condition and surrendered to the police 7-12-61. On 7-13-61 they appeared in Municipal Court and were again released on the condition that they would immediately leave Arkansas and would make no further tests of facilities in Arkansas. Municipal Court Judge Quinn Glover urged them to return home but the freedom riders indicated that they would proceed with their proposed trip.

[redacted] Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), and one of the four freedom riders arrested at Little Rock, advised that [redacted] a fifth freedom rider who accompanied the group from St. Louis to Little Rock but who was not arrested, has returned to St. Louis. [redacted] said that the four freedom riders who had been arrested and released would leave Little Rock at 4:00 a.m., 7-14-61, by Trailways bus to arrive at Shreveport, Louisiana, 11:20 a.m., 7-14-61. It will be necessary for the group to change buses in Texarkana, Arkansas. They are scheduled to arrive in Texarkana at 9:15 a.m. and are scheduled to leave at 9:25 a.m. *MO ARK*

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

[redacted] in Shreveport, advised that the freedom riders will not test facilities upon their arrival in Shreveport.

An informant of the Los Angeles Office advised on 7-13-61 that ten freedom riders plan to leave from Santa Monica, California, on 7-28-61. The destination of this group is not yet known.

[redacted] advised that 27 SNCC delegates will hold a [redacted] meeting in [redacted] from [redacted] SNCC wrote letters to the Chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) and to the Civil Rights Division (CRD) of the Department of Justice (DJ) requesting an audience regarding the rights of Negroes in the South, but no replies have been received. [redacted] therefore planned to come to Washington to contact ICC. He added that he might possibly contact the CRD if his time permits. AL

With regard to the proposed freedom walk from Baltimore to Washington which reportedly had been scheduled for 7-16-61 [redacted] said that definite plans have not been made since the freedom walk would require the approval of SNCC delegates and the Civic Interest Group, which is acting as host to the SNCC board meeting in Baltimore.

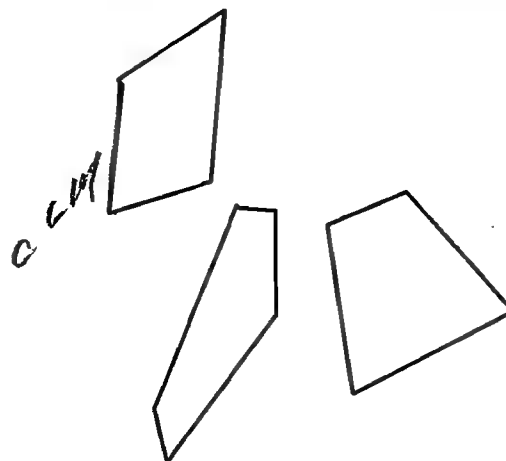
On 7-17-61 SNCC delegates plan to contact Adam Clayton Powell and other Representatives of Congress regarding civil rights. They will also go to the office of the Chairman, ICC, and to the CRD, DJ, on 7-17-61 to request action by these agencies in civil rights matters. If they are denied an audience, [redacted] said that some type of action will probably be taken to dramatize the injustices suffered by Negroes in the South. [redacted] added that he did not know whether the action taken would be a sit-in, picketing or the contacting of Congressmen and Government officials. [redacted] plans to go to Chicago 7-15-61 and did not know whether he personally will be in Washington on 7-17-61.

[redacted] Newark, advised in confidence that five freedom riders who originally intended to go to Chattanooga, Tennessee, departed from New York City by Trailways bus at 10:30 a.m., 7-13-61, to arrive in Charlottesville at 6:30 p.m. the same day. [redacted] said that the plans have been changed and he did not know when the group would leave Charlottesville or where they would proceed from Charlottesville. He stated he would ascertain full details and advise the Newark Office on the morning of 7-14-61.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

The group arrived at Charlottesville and proceeded to the Thomas Jefferson Inn where they held reservations. They were accommodated without incident. After arriving in Charlottesville the group made inquiry concerning bus schedules to Nashville, Tennessee. The situation is being closely followed and appropriate local authorities will be immediately advised as soon as the itinerary of this group can be determined.

*[Handwritten signature]*



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## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: July 15, 1961

FROM : A. Rosen

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SUBJECT: FREEBUS

Freedom Riders - 4150

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Since 5/24/61, two hundred twenty-seven freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson, Mississippi. Ninety have been released on bond, four have paid fines and one has been released without the filing of charges. One hundred thirty-two remain in custody.

Two persons, James Luther Bevel, Field Secretary for the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), [redacted] the Jackson Nonviolent Movement, were arrested by Jackson, Mississippi, police 7/14/61 charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Affidavits filed by police department officers relate to the Negro juveniles arrested in sit-ins in Jackson, Mississippi, on 7/10 and 11/61. No trial date has been set.

Affidavits were also filed against three other [redacted]

[redacted] These three persons are presently out of the city but will be arrested upon their return. In connection with the above arrests, it should be noted that the juveniles arrested for sit-ins gave signed statements to the Jackson Police Department that if they had to do it over again they would not participate in sit-ins and would not have done it in the first place if they had not been pushed into it by people from the Jackson Nonviolent Movement. Parents of these juveniles would not sign complaints for fear of repercussions from members of their own race. Police reported that some of the juveniles had been given \$2 apiece, their breakfast and then talked into participating in the sit-ins.

A freedom riders' group originating from Newark consisting of five persons, three white males and two Negro males, arrived in Roanoke, Virginia, 7/14/61. They stayed overnight at Roanoke and are leaving on 7/15/61 for either Chattanooga, Memphis or Little Rock. Contact is being maintained with sources to determine their destination. Information has been received that the Chattanooga Police Department plans to have several men dressed in plain clothes at bus stations and uniformed men out of sight but readily available if any disturbance develops. Bus facilities are to give the appearance of normal operation and no police are present. Bus facilities at Chattanooga

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have no signs concerning integration and Negroes frequently use all facilities at the station. The Chattanooga Police Department has advised that arrest of Negroes and whites during a freedom riders' visit will be made only as a last resort and due to a disturbance or at the specific request of station managers for loitering if station managers agree to prosecute. Even this will only be done after efforts have been made to move the group from the station.

A freedom riders' group originating in Los Angeles consisting of eleven persons, four Negro males, four white males and three white females, arrived in New Orleans 7/14/61 and will depart for Jackson, Mississippi, 7/15/61, adding one additional Negro male at New Orleans. A meeting is being held at the St. James AME Church, New Orleans, prior to departure. Appropriate local authorities have been advised.

A freedom riders' group originating from St. Louis, Missouri, consisting of two males and two <sup>FEMALES</sup> ~~males~~, arrived in Shreveport, Louisiana, on 7/14/61 without incident. They did not attempt to test the facilities at Shreveport. This group departed Shreveport, Louisiana, approximately 2:00 a.m., 7/15/61, by Trailways Bus en route New Orleans. They were joined by one additional Negro male from Shreveport.

A United Press International news release indicates that Mississippi Governor Ross Barnett has called a meeting of southern governors at Jackson, Mississippi, 7/19/61, to discuss segregation and other issues.

ACTION

A memorandum is <sup>ATTACHED</sup> ~~being prepared~~ for the Attorney General.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SACS NEWARK, MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM  
FROM SAC, KNOXVILLE 157-130 6P

FREE BUS, CHATTANOOGA, TENN., RACIAL MATTER. RE  
KNOXVILLE TEL TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM, JULY  
SEVENTEEN SIXTYONE. [REDACTED] ONE OF FIVE [REDACTED]  
FREEDOM RIDERS, CHATTANOOGA, CONTACTED DISCRETELY AND  
ADVISED THESE FIVE INDIVIDUALS PLANNED TO LEAVE  
CHATTANOOGA, TENN., EARLY MORNING JULY NINETEEN SIXTYONE  
BY BUS FOR MEMPHIS, TENN., BELIEVE TRAVEL WILL BE BY  
GREYHOUND, BUT NOT SURE AT TIME OF INTERVIEW. PLANS  
TO ARRIVE MEMPHIS JULY NINETEEN SIXTYONE BEFORE DARK. SEC 37  
GREYHOUND MORNING SCHEDULE SET FORTH---VIA NASHVILLE,  
LEAVE CHATTANOOGA SIX AM, ARRIVE NASHVILLE NINE THIRTY AM,  
ARRIVE MEMPHIS SIX THIRTY PM, LEAVE CHATTANOOGA TEN AM,  
ARRIVE NASHVILLE TWELVE FIFTEEN PM, ARRIVE MEMPHIS  
SIX THIRTY PM, VIA FAYETTEVILLE, TENN., LEAVE CHATTANOOGA

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SIX THIRTY AM, ARRIVE MEMPHIS TWO FIFTEEN PM. OTHER SCHEDULES LEAVE CHATTANOOGA AFTERNOON AND EVENING, NOT SET FORTH. LOCAL SO AND THP ADVISED JULY SEVENTEEN SIXTYONE OF INFO. RE POSSIBLE VIOLENCE VICINITY OF MONTEAGLE, TENN. EDWARD H. BROWN, CHIEF OF PD, ADVISED FIVE FREEDOM RIDERS TRAVELING IN LOCAL CHATTANOOGA CAR DRIVEN BY NEGRO WOMAN APPEARED AT HOWARD JOHNSON RESTAURANT, CHATTANOOGA, JULY SEVENTEEN SIXTYONE. WOMAN DRIVING REMAINED IN CAR. FIVE FREEDOM RIDER S ENTERED RESTAURANT, REQUESTED SERVICE AT COUNTER, WERE REFUSED AND ASKED TO LEAVE. CPD CALLED AND WHEN LOITERING STATUTE READ TO THEM AND THREAT OF ARREST, THEY DEPARTED. BRIEF ARTICLE RE THIS ACCOUNT APPEARED LOCAL CHATTANOOGA MORNING NEWSPAPER. ABOVE SIX INDIVIDUALS THEN VISITED HOME OF LOCAL PRINCIPAL

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CHATTANOOGA SCHOOL, AND THEN SIX IN ABOVE CAR DROVE  
TO ALL WHITE NEIGHBORHOOD, UPPER MIDDLE CLASS, WHERE  
NEAREST NEGRO RESIDENCE OVER FOUR MILES AWAY. ALL SIX  
ENTERED RESIDENCE AT TWO EIGHT EIGHT THREE STUART  
TERRACE, STUART HEIGHTS, CHATTANOOGA, TENN. THIS ADDRESS  
LISTED AS RESIDENCE OF FRED W. ~~X~~DROSTEN, RESEARCH  
DIRECTOR, VITRO CHEMICAL CO., CHATTANOOGA, TENN. THE  
SIX REMAINED AT THIS ADDRESS WITH DRAPES DRAWN EIGHT  
TWENTY PM UNTIL NINE FIFTEEN, WHEN NEGROES DEPARTED.  
THE TWO RABBIS AND ONE WHITE YOUTH REMAINED AT THIS  
ADDRESS AND PRESUMABLY SPENT THE NIGHT. THE THREE  
NEGROES TRAVELED TO THE RESIDENCE OF LOCAL NEGRO  
SCHOOL TEACHERS HOME, NEGRO NEIGHBORHOOD, WHERE TWO  
REMAINING FREEDOM RIDERS PRESUMABLY SPENT NIGHT.  
MORNING JULY EIGHTEEN SIXTYONE, [REDACTED] ADVISED  
MAJORITY OF JULY SEVENTEEN SPENT SIGHT SEEING. TWO  
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MEETINGS PLANNED THE MORNING OF JULY EIGHTEEN, NOT  
FURTHER DESCRIBED, AND A RALLY EVENING OF JULY EIGHTEEN  
SIXTYONE AT SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH, CHATTANOOGA, WHERE

[REDACTED] OF BIRMINGHAM, ALA., WILL BE GUEST

SPEAKER. TIME OF ARRIVAL AND TENTATIVE PLANS OF

[REDACTED] AT CHATTANOOGA UNKNOWN. CHATTANOOGA

CREDIT BUREAU RECORDS REFLECT FRED W. DROSTEN WM,  
DOB NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN AND NINE, RESIDED  
CHATTANOOGA, FIFTYFOUR TO PRESENT, RESIDED AT ABOVE  
STUART TERRACE ADDRESS FIFTYNINE TO PRESENT. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FORMERLY EMPLOYED AT CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

CRAMET CO., FIFTYFOUR TO FIFTYEIGHT, HEAVY MINERAL CO.  
FIFTYEIGHT TO DATE OF LAST CREDIT REPORT LAST OF FIFTYNINE.  
FORMER OUT F CITY EMPLOYMENT AT OAK RIDGE, NO COMPANY  
LISTED, IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO FIFTYFOUR, AND NATIONAL  
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LEAD CORP., ST. LOUIS, MO., PRIOR TO OAK RIDGE  
EMPLOYMENT. INDICES, KNOXVILLE DIVISION, REFLECTS  
DROSTEN IDENTICAL WITH FREDERICK WILLIAM DROSTEN,  
BUFILE ONE ONE SIX DASH SIX EIGHT FIVE ONE NINE, WHO  
WAS INVESTIGATED DURING FORTYEIGHT AS AN AEA EMPLOYEE.  
THAT INVESTIGATION DEVELOPED THAT DROSTEN WAS DESCRIBED  
BY ALL INDIVIDUALS INTERVIEWED AS A PERSON OF GOOD  
CHARACTER, LOYALTY AND ASSOCIATES, WITH THE EXCEPTION  
OF ONE INTERVIEWEE WHO QUESTIONED DROSTEN-S LOYALTY,  
STATED THAT DROSTEN WAS SYMPATHETIC TO THE POLICIES  
OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND DEFENDED THE ACTIONS OF  
SOVIET RUSSIA DURING THE PERIOD FORTYFOUR TO FORTYFIVE.  
PAREN KNOXVILLE FILE ONE ONE SIX DASH ONE TWO THREE FOUR  
END PAREN. LEADS. BIRMINGHAM, IF POSSIBLE, DETERMINED  
 PLANS RE CHATTANOOGA TRIP.

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KNOXVILLE WILL NOTIFY  
APPROPRIATE OFFICES AND BUREAU OF FREEDOM RIDERS  
ACTIVITIES.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SACS MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM AND NEWARK  
FROM SAC, KNOXVILLE 157-130 1P

FREE BUS. CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, RM. REF KNOXVILLE TELETYPE THIS  
DATE TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM AND NEWARK. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED BUAGENT THIS DATE THE FIVE FREEDOM RIDERS DEVINITELY  
PLANNED TO LEAVE CHATTANOOGA, TENN. VIA GREYHOUND BUS FOR MEMPHIS,  
TENN. SEVEN NINETEEN NEXT. WILL DEPART CHATTANOOGA TEN A. M., EST.  
BUS SCHEDULED TO PASS THROUGH MONTEAGLE, TENN. TEN FIFTEEN AM, CST,  
ARRIVE NASHVILLE TWELVE FIFTEEN PM CST, LEAVE NASHVILLE  
TWELVE THIRTY PM CST, ARRIVE MEMPHIS SIX THIRTY PM, CST, VIA JACKSON,  
TENN. CHATTANOOGA PD, CHATTANOOGA DIV. OF THP AND LOCAL SO-S  
VICINITY MONTEAGLE, TENN. WILL BE NOTIFIED. KNOXVILLE WILL VERIFY  
DEPARTURE AND SEND CONFIRMING TELETYPE.

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## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *BM*

DATE: 7-18-61

FROM : A. Rosen *Per*ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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SUBJECT: FREEBUS

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Trotter ☐

The 20 freedom riders who were arrested at Jackson, Mississippi, on 7-15-61 and 7-16-61 were all convicted of breach of the peace in Jackson Municipal Court 7-17-61. Each was sentenced to serve four months and was fined \$200.

[redacted] was acquitted of a charge of [redacted] in connection with the allegation that he [redacted] at the Greyhound bus station in Jackson prior to his arrest as a freedom rider on 7-15-61.

Two hundred forty-seven freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since 5-24-61. Ninety-nine have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines and one has been released without the filing of charges. One hundred forty-three remain in custody.

The freedom riders who left New York 7-13-61 and arrived in Chattanooga 7-16-61, are still in Chattanooga. They are to attend a meeting at the Second Baptist Church, Chattanooga, on the night of 7-18-61 at which time [redacted] Birmingham, Alabama, will be the guest speaker. The future itinerary of this group apparently has not yet been determined.

An informant has reported that klansmen discussed the possibility of shooting at the bus when the freedom riders leave Chattanooga. It was indicated that this might occur at Monteagle Pass which is approximately 40 miles west of Chattanooga. This is being closely followed and local authorities including the Tennessee Highway Patrol have been advised.

On 7-17-61 there was a hearing in U. S. District Court, Montgomery, Alabama, to determine if an injunction should be issued to prohibit freedom rides in Alabama. The case was continued until 8-22-61 for the filing of briefs.

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- 1 - Mr. Evans

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[redacted] freedom riders, were arrested at Ocala, Florida, 6-16-61 while en route from Washington, D. C. to St. Petersburg, Florida. [redacted] have previously been found guilty of unlawful assembly and [redacted] has not yet been tried.

On 7-17-61 motions of [redacted] for new trials were denied. [redacted] was sentenced to 30 days in jail plus a \$500 fine or an additional six months in jail. [redacted] was sentenced to pay a \$250 fine or spend 90 days in jail. Motions of appeal have been filed which will not be heard before October, 1961. [redacted] were released on bond pending appeal.

Julius W. Hobson, President, Washington, D. C. Chapter, Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), advised that the 1961 CORE Interracial Action Institute will be held in Arlington, Virginia. A Unitarian church will be used although the specific church has not been designated and there are several Unitarian Churches in Arlington. Although the application blank for attendance at the institute states that it will be held from 8-13-61 to 9-3-61, Hobson said that the institute may actually begin during the last week of July, 1961, and that it will be a continuous affair which will not end on 9-3-61.

Hobson related that those who attend the CORE institute in Arlington will test integration in Virginia, particularly in northern Virginia. They will engage in sit-ins, picketing and negotiations to end segregation in theaters, bowling alleys, restaurants and other business establishments. Two hundred people are expected to participate in the program which will consist of a series of two-week training courses. Local authorities advised.

ACTION:

A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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*0 FREEDOM RIDERS - MISCELLANEOUS*

FREEBUS, RM, CR. FOLLOWING IS NAME AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA FROM  
JACKSON PD RECORDS ON ONE FR ARRESTED IC RR TERMINAL JACKSON, JULY  
SIXTEEN COLON [REDACTED] *MISS*

[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], TEXAS, [REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES,

[REDACTED] HAIR, STUDENT LOS ANGELES STATE COLLEGE, ADMITS MEMBER CORE.

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~~894 CORRECTION LINE FIVE WORD ONE SHD BE [REDACTED]~~

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Remytel 7/9/61 pertaining to arrest of nine Freedom Riders at ICRR Depot, Jackson, Miss., 7/9/61.

Enclosed for Bureau are 24 letterhead memoranda pertaining to [redacted]

[redacted] three of the Freedom Riders arrested. Records of the Jackson, Miss. PD indicate these persons are employees of the Federal Government.

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On July 9, 1961 a group of nine Freedom Riders were arrested at the Illinois Central Railroad Depot, Jackson, Mississippi. All were arrested on a charge of breach of the peace for failing to obey the orders of the police to move on.

One of those arrested was [redacted] who gave her occupation to the Police Department as [redacted] Los Angeles, California. Records of the Jackson Police Department contain the following descriptive data regarding [redacted]

NAME  
Residence  
  
Race  
Sex  
Date of birth  
  
Height  
Weight  
Hair  
Eyes  
Complexion  
Build  
Marital status  
Father  
Mother

On July 10, 1961 [redacted] was tried in Jackson Municipal Court, Jackson, Mississippi and, after a plea of not guilty, she was convicted of violation of Section 2037.5 Mississippi Court, which is a misdemeanor. She was sentenced the same date to four months in jail and fined \$200.00.

[redacted] employment with [redacted] has not been verified.

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NAME  
Residence  
  
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Sex  
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Marital status  
Father  
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On July 10, 1961 [REDACTED] was tried in Jackson Municipal Court, Jackson, Mississippi, and after a plea of not guilty he was convicted of violation of Section 2087.5 Mississippi Court, which is a misdemeanor; he was sentenced the same date to four months in jail and fined \$200.00.

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FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-340/ 4P

FREEBUS. RE ATLANTA TEL TO BUREAU SEVEN FOURTEEN AND NO TEL TO  
BUREAU SEVEN FIFTEEN. FOLLOWING ARE NAMES AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA  
FROM JACKSON PD RECORDS ON TWELVE FREEDOM RIDERS ARRESTED GREYHOUND  
BUS TERMINAL JULY FIFTEEN. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIF. [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ILL., [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] PRESENTLY UNEMPLOYED.

[REDACTED] CALIF., [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] NYC, [REDACTED] LBS.,

[REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED] ARRESTED VAN NUYS, CALIF., PD IN

[REDACTED] ROSE SCHOR, ROSENBERG TWO FOUR THREE THREE  
BROKLYN AVE., LOS ANGELOS, WF, DOB NINE TEN ZERO FIVE, BUSHJAHZA,

HUNGARY, FIVE FT., ONE TWENTY LBS., BROWN EYES, BROWN DASH GRAYING

HAIR, ATTORNEY AT LAW, DECLINED TO FURNISH EDUCATION INFORMATION,

REFUSED TO SAY IF MEMBER OF NAACP, CORE, OR CPUSA WITHOUT CONSULTING

LAWYER. [REDACTED]

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SAN FRANCISCO, [REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES,

[REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED] CALIF., DECLINED TO FURNISH  
EDUCATION INFORMATION, REFUSED TO SAY IF PREVIOUSLY ARRESTED.

[REDACTED] WASH., [REDACTED]

DOB [REDACTED] SEATTLE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED] REFUSED TO SAY IF

MEMBER OF NAACP, CORE, OR CPUSA. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CALIF., [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PA. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LBS. [REDACTED] EYES [REDACTED] HAIR, STUDENT UNIVERSITY OF CALIF. AT

BERKELEY, ADMITS PICKETING WOOLSWORTH AT BERKELEY, VAN NUYS, AND  
MISS HOLLYWOOD, CALIF., IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ILL., [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED] UNIVERSITY OF

SOUTHERN CALIF., MEMBER NAACP. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARK., [REDACTED] LBS.,

[REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, UNEMPLOYED, ARRESTED LOS ANGELOS PD IN [REDACTED]

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LA. [REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR,

UNEMPLOYED, ARRESTED LOS ANGELOS PD IN [REDACTED]

RELEASED TO PARENTS, ALSO ARRESTED LOS ANGELOS PD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FOR ONE

AND ONE HALF YEARS. [REDACTED]

NEW ORLEANS, LA. [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LBS., [REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, STUDENT

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY NEW ORLEANS, MEMBER OF CORE, ADMITS PICKETING IN  
NEW ORLEANS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], DOB [REDACTED]

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EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LOS ANGELOS, MEMBER NAACP AND CORE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ILL. [REDACTED] LBS.,

[REDACTED] EYES, [REDACTED] HAIR, STUDENT, ADMITS PICKETING LOS ANGELOS IN

[REDACTED] IN CONNECTION WITH INCIDENT POSSIBLE SHOVING MENTIONED IN

RETEL, CHIEF OF DETECTIVES M.B. PIERCE, JACKSON, MISS., PD ADVISED

[REDACTED] MISS., [REDACTED] WAS

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SITTING IN GREYHOUND TERMINAL AT TIME OF FREEDOM RIDERS ARRIVAL. AS  
RIDERS WERE TALKING SEATS IN WHITE WAITING ROOM, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ONE OF FREEDOM RIDERS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TOLD OFFICER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SIGNED AN AVIDAVIT CHARGING

[REDACTED] PRESENTLY ATTENDING MISS. COLLEGE,

CLINTON, MISS., TAKING GRADUATE IN GUIDANCE INSTRUCTION. PIERCE SAID

[REDACTED] WOULD PROBABLY BE HEARD WITH BREACH OF PEACE CHARGES MADE AGAINST

TWELVE FREEDOM RIDERS. ATTENTION BUREAU TO REFRENCED ATLANTA TEL

SEVEN, FOURTEEN SIXTYONE IN WHICH FREEDOM RIDER [REDACTED] PAREN ALSO

SPELLED [REDACTED] END PAREN, ROSENBERG AND [REDACTED] REPORTED CP AFFILIATIONS

AIRMAIL COPIES THIS COMMUNICATION BEING FURNISHED SEATTLE, LOS ANGELOS

FOR CRÉDIT, IDENTIFICATION AND INDICES CHECK RE ALL FREEDOM RIDERS.

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*Freedom Riders - misc*

FREEBUS. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AS OF FOUR PM, JULY EIGHTEEN.  
NO FR ARRESTED, RELEASED ON BOND OR OTHERWISE SINCE JULY SEVENTEEN  
SUMMARY. TOTAL ARRESTED TWO FOUR SEVEN. RELEASED ON BOND  
NINETYNINE. PAID FINE FOUR. RELEASED TO ATTORNEY ONE. NET IN  
CUSTODY ONE FOUR THREE. ALL FR PRISONERS EATING AT HINDS CTY.  
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Date: 7/17/61

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On 7/15/61 Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds County Sheriff's Office, Miss., advised SA [redacted] the below listed 9 Freedom Riders (FR) were released that date on \$500 cash appeal bond. These FR were also reported by GILFOY to be scheduled to depart Jackson via indicated common carrier. [redacted] to Chicago at 1:51 A.M. on 7/16/61 via Delta Airlines; [redacted]

[redacted] these 4 to depart Jackson bound for New York at 11:48 A.M. on 7/16/61 via Delta Airlines [redacted]

[redacted] these three to depart Jackson bound for Washington, D.C. at 11:48 A.M. on 7/16/61 via Delta Airlines. [redacted]

[redacted] to depart Jackson bound for New Orleans at 9:20 A.M. on 7/16/61 by Illinois Central Railroad.

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FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /157-331/ 1P

FREEBUS. CHIEF DEPUTY FRANK JONES, HINDS COUNTY SO, JACKSON, MISS., ADVISED THAT AT ABOUT ELEVEN PM JULY EIGHTEEN, [REDACTED] PRISONER CONFINED TO MSP PARCHMAN, MISS., FELL FROM BUNK IN CELL AND INJURED HEAD. WAS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL IN GREENWOOD, MISS., WHERE IT WAS DETERMINED SUFFERING FROM SCULL FRACTURE SAID NOT TO BE SERIOUS IN NATURE. [REDACTED] PRESENTLY BEING TRANSPORTED BY AMBULANCE TO U. OF MISS. HOSPITAL, JACKSON, FOR OBSERVATION AND TREATMENT. JONES SAID WAS FURNISHING ABOVE FOR INFORMATION IN EVENT OF POSSIBLE PUBLICITY. HAD NO FURTHER DETAILS AS TO MANNER INJURY OCCURRED. JACKSON PD RECORDS SHOW THAT [REDACTED] OHIO, WAS ARRESTED JULY SEVEN. ABOVE FOR INFORMATION BUREAU.

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FROM SAC, JACKSONVILLE /157-246/ 1P

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CORE, RM. FREEBUS, RM. RE JK AIRTEL TO BUREAU SEVEN THREE SIXTY-ONE. PRELIMINARY HEARING ON SUIT BY PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED THREE PROTESTANT NEGRO MINISTERS, TALLAHASSEE, FLA. TO FORCE INTEGRATION OF RESTAURANT, TALLAHASSEE AIRPORT, HELD BEFORE USDJ G. HARROLD CARSWELL TODAY. NO WITNESSES SWORN AND NO TESTIMONY TAKEN. LARGE GALLERY LOCAL NEGROES PRESENT. TALLAHASSEE CITY ATTORNEY AND TWO OTHER PROMINENT LOCAL ATTORNEYS REPRESENTED CITY OF TALLAHASSEE, WHILE ATTORNEY [REDACTED] OF JACKSONVILLE REPRESENTED AMERICAN NEWS COMPANY, PARENT CORP OF SAVARIN RESTAURANT CORP., PRESENT LESSEE OF RESTAURANT FACILITY. NAACP ATTORNEY [REDACTED] OF MIAMI PRESENTED PLAINTIFFS CASE TO COURT. JUDGE CARSWELL POSTPONED RULING ON PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION AND MOTIONS BY DEFENDANTS TO DISMISS. CARSWELL TOOK ALL MOTIONS UNDER ADVISEMENT, REQUESTING THAT BOTH SIDES AMPLIFY THEIR POSITIONS AND FILE NEW BRIEFS WITHIN FIVE DAYS AT WHICH TIME CARSWELL WILL SET DATE FOR FURTHER HEARINGS ON CASE. CIC TALLAHASSEE ADVISED TODAY. LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.

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## Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 7-17-61

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: FREEBUS

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SYNOPSIS:

Group consisting of 11 freedom riders from Los Angeles and one from New Orleans arrested Jackson 7-15-61.

the New Orleans member of the group, was charged with as well as breach of the peace after he allegedly in the bus station at Jackson.

Above arrests include: Rose Schorr Rosenberg and Los Angeles attorneys with communist backgrounds; who may be identical with an individual active in communist front activities in Los Angeles; and who has attended meetings of Marxist-Leninist Youth Organization in Seattle.

Seven freedom riders from New York proceeded from Nashville to Jackson 7-16-61 and were arrested.

One freedom rider from Los Angeles arrived in New Orleans 7-15-61 and was arrested at Jackson 7-16-61.

Two hundred forty-seven freedom riders arrested at Jackson since 5-24-61, 99 released on bond, four released after paying fines, one released without charges and 143 remain in custody.

St. Louis freedom riders who were arrested and released at Little Rock proceeded from Shreveport to New Orleans 7-15-61 and arranged to return home.

Freedom riders who left New York 7-13-61 arrived Chattanooga 7-16-61. No incidents although service refused in a restaurant at Elizabethton, Tennessee. Group plans to stay in Chattanooga about two days. Future itinerary undetermined.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

Congress of Racial Equality office, Montgomery, Alabama,  
closed and future freedom rides from Nashville to Jackson will be  
routed through Memphis instead of Montgomery.

Freedom walk from Baltimore to Washington, D. C.  
scheduled for 7-16-61 was called off.

ACTION:

A memorandum is being prepared for the Attorney General.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

DETAILS:

The 11 freedom riders from Los Angeles who were joined by one freedom rider in New Orleans traveled from New Orleans to Jackson, Mississippi, by Greyhound bus on 7-15-61. The 12 freedom riders were arrested when they entered the white waiting room in the Greyhound bus terminal and failed to comply with orders of the police that they move on.

[redacted] the New Orleans member of the above group, was charged with [redacted] in addition to breach of the peace. As the freedom riders were taking seats in the white waiting room, [redacted] allegedly [redacted] [redacted] who was sitting in the waiting room. [redacted] and signed an affidavit charging him with [redacted]

Those arrested with the above group include Rose Schorr Rosenberg, [redacted] all of whom gave Los Angeles area addresses, and [redacted] who gave a Spokane, Washington, address. It has been previously reported that Rosenberg and [redacted] are attorneys who have been active in Communist Party activities and that [redacted] may be identical with [redacted] who has recently been active in communist front activities in Los Angeles. [redacted] reportedly attended meetings of the Marxist-Leninist Youth Organization in Seattle in April, May and June, 1961.

Seven freedom riders who arrived in Nashville, Tennessee, from New York on 7-14-61 proceeded to Jackson by Greyhound bus arriving 7-16-61. They were arrested by the Jackson police after they entered the Negro waiting room in the Greyhound bus terminal and refused to move on.

One freedom rider proceeded from Los Angeles/ to New Orleans on 7-15-61 and was arrested by the Jackson police in the white waiting room at the Jackson Railroad station 7-16-61. His method of travel from New Orleans to Jackson is not known. The arrest was made when he declined to leave the white waiting room upon being instructed to do so by the police.

Two hundred forty-seven freedom riders have been arrested at Jackson since 5-24-61. Ninety-nine have been released on bond, four have been released upon the payment of fines and one has been released without the filing of charges. One hundred forty-three remain in custody.



Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

The freedom riders who started their trip in St. Louis and who were arrested and released at Little Rock, Arkansas, proceeded from Shreveport, Louisiana, to New Orleans 7-15-61 and then arranged to return to their homes. There were no incidents after they left Little Rock.

The freedom riders who left New York 7-13-61 en route to Chattanooga traveled from Roanoke, Virginia, to Knoxville, Tennessee, by Trailways bus 7-15-61. No incidents were reported during the trip although the group was refused service in a restaurant at Elizabethton, Tennessee. The group proceeded to Chattanooga 7-16-61 via two Greyhound buses. The group ate at the Greyhound bus terminal cafeteria in Chattanooga and used other facilities without incident. In an interview on a Negro radio station in Chattanooga on the evening of 7-16-61, Henry Thomas, who acted as spokesman for the freedom riders, urged the Federal Government to end the segregation of transportation facilities. He said the purpose of the trip was to test transportation facilities and if they had been refused service, presumably at the Chattanooga bus station, they would have remained at the bus station and if arrested they would have refused bail and contested the case through legal procedures.

We have been informed that the freedom riders plan to stay in Chattanooga for approximately two days and that their future itinerary has not yet been determined.

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[redacted] Nashville, advised that the Congress of Racial Equality office in Montgomery, Alabama, has been closed and that in the future freedom riders going from Nashville, Tennessee, to Jackson, Mississippi, will pass through Memphis, Tennessee, instead of Montgomery.

An informant of the Baltimore Office advised on 7-16-61 that the freedom walk from Baltimore to Washington, D. C. which had been scheduled for 7-16-61 was called off.

*Russ*

*C* [redacted]

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office <b>NEW ORLEANS</b>	Office of Origin <b>NEW ORLEANS</b>	Date <b>7/12/61</b>	Investigative Period <b>6/16-23/61</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>FREEDOM RIDE, 1961 GREYHOUND BUS #4290, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI JUNE 16, 1961</b> <i>Freedom Riders - Misc</i>		Report made by <b>SA HUNTER E. HELGESON</b>	Typed By: <b>dfs</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>RM; CR</b>	

Special Agent  
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## REFERENCES:

Memphis tels to Bureau, 6/16/61.  
New Orleans telephone call to Bureau, 6/16/61.  
New Orleans tel to Bureau, 6/16/61.  
Albany airtel to Bureau, 6/12/61.

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## LEADS:

### NEW ORLEANS

AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. Will report disposition of convicted Freedom Riders.

ADMINISTRATIVE: An additional copy of this report is designated for the New Orleans Office in the event the Bureau instructs that a copy be furnished to the U. S. Attorney, Jackson.

Approved <i>[Signature]</i>	Special Agent in Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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**Copy to:**

**Report of:** SA HUNTER E. HELGESON  
**Date:** 7/12/61

**Office:** NEW ORLEANS

**File Number:** New Orleans 157-307

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**Title:** FREEDOM RIDE, 1961  
GREYHOUND BUS #4290  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE TO  
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI  
JUNE 16, 1961

**Character:** RACIAL MATTERS; CIVIL RIGHTS

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**Synopsis:**

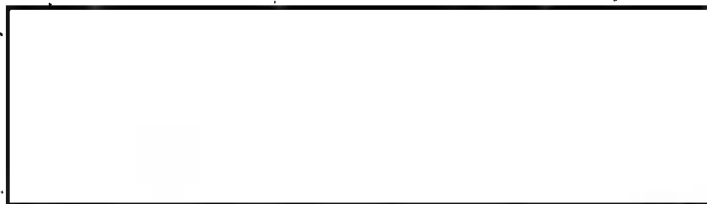
5 Freedom Riders identified in details of report arrived Jackson, Miss. via Greyhound Bus #4290 at 1:13 p.m., 6/16/61. All arrested by Jackson PD at Greyhound Bus Terminal when they failed to obey orders of Jackson PD officer to move on. All charged with breach of the peace. No incidents at time of arrest. All tried in Jackson Municipal Court, 6/16/61, and after NG please were convicted of violation S. 2087.5, Miss. Code. All sentenced to 4 months in jail and fined \$200. No incidents during the trial. Freedom Rider [redacted] released on bond, 6/21/61. 4 remaining Freedom Riders transferred to Miss. State Penitentiary, Parchman, Miss., 6/23/61. *11/23*

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**DETAILS:**


Investigation in this case was predicated upon information furnished by [redacted] Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), Jackson, Mississippi, on June 16, 1961. [redacted] advised that a group of five Freedom Riders were leaving Nashville, Tennessee at 1:00 a.m., June 16, 1961, via Greyhound bus and are scheduled to arrive at Jackson, Mississippi at 12:45 p.m., June 16, 1961. He identified them as follows:

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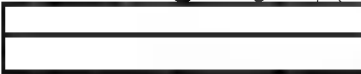

By communication dated June 16, 1961 the Memphis Office advised as follows:

 Nashville, Tennessee, advised that 5 Freedom Riders will leave Nashville, Tennessee at 1:00 a.m., June 16, 1961 via Greyhound bus en route Jackson, Mississippi, via Memphis, and are scheduled to arrive in Jackson, 12:45 p.m., June 16, 1961.

Information concerning this matter was furnished to the following individuals on June 16, 1961 by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON:

Chief of Detectives M. B. PIERCE, Police Department, Jackson, Mississippi.

Col. T. B. BIRDSONG, Commissioner, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, Jackson, Mississippi.

 CIC, Jackson, Mississippi.  
 Greyhound Terminal, Jackson, Mississippi.

Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds County, Jackson, Mississippi.

Date 6/29/61

The following observations were made at the Greyhound Bus Terminal, Jackson, Mississippi, on June 16, 1961:

Greyhound Bus #4290 arrived at 1:13 p.m. Of the passengers getting off the bus, a group consisting of one Negro male, one white male, and three white females entered the white waiting room of the Greyhound Bus Terminal. They walked as a group to the lunch counter and took seats on the stools at the counter. Captain [redacted] Police Department, Jackson, Mississippi, was observed to approach the group and speak to them. Shortly thereafter, the group of five got off the stools and walked to the main entrance of the terminal, accompanied by police officers, and entered a police patrol wagon, which was parked at the front of the terminal.

On 6/16/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-307

by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON /dfs Date dictated 6/23/61

Date 6/23/61

The following observations made at the Greyhound Bus Depot, 219 North Lamar Street:

Greyhound Bus #4290 stopped briefly in front of the depot at 1:13 p.m. due to traffic conditions. It then proceeded around to the rear of the depot where the loading and unloading docks are located. At 1:14 p.m. a group of young white people and one Negro male entered the rear entrance to the White Waiting Room of the depot from the dock area. The group proceeded directly to the White Lunch Counter and sat down on the vacant stools. They carried their baggage with them. Captain [redacted] Jackson Police Department, accompanied by another uniformed officer, approached the group and spoke to them while the second officer took notes and apparently asked questions. The young folks rose and without incident walked to the front entrance to the White Waiting Room, accompanied by police officers, went out onto Lamar Street, and were escorted into the waiting police patrol wagon. First to enter the patrol wagon was a white female, followed by a white male. Next, two white females climbed into the wagon, and they were finally followed by a colored male. All were inside the patrol wagon and the rear door was closed at 1:16 p.m. No incidents or trouble were noted at any time during the arrest. Prior to the arrival of this group activity in the nature of curious spectators was observed on Lamar Street. Police coverage, estimated at about a dozen uniformed officers kept the spectators circulating on both sides of Lamar Street and at the entrances to the White Waiting Room at the front of the bus depot.

On 6/16/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-307

by SA [redacted] /dfs Date dictated 6/16/61

Date 6/29/61

Chief of Detectives M. B. PIERCE, Police Department, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that the Freedom Riders whose names are listed below were arrested at 1:15 p.m., June 16, 1961, at the Greyhound Bus Terminal, Jackson. All were charged with breach of the peace. All were arrested by Captain [redacted] Jackson Police Department. All were transported to the Jackson City Jail. There were no incidents during the arrests. PIERCE stated that all Freedom Riders had entered the white waiting room of the bus terminal as a group, after alighting from the Greyhound Bus from Memphis, Tennessee. After entering the white waiting room, they all took seats at the lunch counter and when they failed to obey Captain [redacted] orders to move on, he placed them under arrest. PIERCE stated that all would probably be tried in Jackson Municipal Court on June 16, 1961 at their request.

PIERCE made the following information available from Police Department records:

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address [redacted]  
[redacted] New York. Race -  
[redacted] Sex [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth -  
[redacted] Place of birth [redacted] Michigan.  
Height [redacted] Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted]  
Hair - [redacted] Complexion [redacted] Build - [redacted]  
Occupation - Student. University of Wisconsin.  
Marital Status - [redacted] Father [redacted]  
(deceased). Mother [redacted]  
[redacted] New York. Education -  
High school, 2 years at University of Wisconsin.  
Admits picketing Madison, Wisconsin; Woolworth  
sit-in [redacted] Attended Civil Rights Rally -  
Madison, Wisconsin.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address - [redacted]  
[redacted] New York. Race -  
[redacted] Sex - [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth -  
[redacted] Place of birth - [redacted]  
Pennsylvania. Height - [redacted] Weight [redacted]  
Eyes - [redacted] Hair [redacted] Complexion - [redacted]  
Build [redacted] Occupation - student, Cornell  
University. Marital Status [redacted]

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by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON /dfs Date dictated 6/23/61



[redacted] cont'd:

Father - [redacted]  
New York, New York. Mother - [redacted]  
[redacted] New York.  
Education - high school, 2 years college, Cornell  
University. Admits Student March for Integra-  
tion, Washington, D. C., [redacted]

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address -  
[redacted] New York. Race [redacted] Sex -  
[redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth [redacted]  
Place of birth - [redacted] New York. Height [redacted]  
Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted]  
Complexion [redacted] Build - [redacted] Occupation -  
[redacted] (Also  
shown as [redacted] Cornell University.  
Ithaca, New York). Marital Status [redacted]  
Father [redacted]  
Michigan. Mother [redacted]  
[redacted] Michigan. Education - high  
school, 4 years college, Cornell University.  
Admits picketing Woolworth's, Ithaca, New York,  
[redacted] Peace March in New Jersey [redacted] and New  
York [redacted] Member NAACP [redacted] member  
[redacted]

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted]  
address [redacted]  
Oklahoma. Race - [redacted] Sex - [redacted] Age - [redacted]  
Date of birth [redacted] Place of birth -  
[redacted] Oklahoma. Height [redacted] Weight -  
[redacted] Eyes [redacted] Hair [redacted]  
Complexion [redacted] Build [redacted] Occupation -  
student. Marital Status [redacted] Father [redacted]  
[redacted] address unknown. Mother - [redacted]  
[redacted] Oklahoma. Education - high school,  
1 year business college, Hills Business College,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Admits member of NAACP,  
Oklahoma City.

[redacted] Jackson PD [redacted] address [redacted]  
[redacted] Illinois. Race - [redacted]  
[redacted] Sex - [redacted] Age [redacted] Date of birth -  
[redacted] Place of birth [redacted] Illinois.



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[redacted] cont'd:

Height [redacted] Weight [redacted] Eyes [redacted]  
Hair [redacted] Complexion - [redacted]  
Build [redacted] Occupation - Student, University  
of Chicago. Marital Status [redacted] Father -  
[redacted] same address. Mother [redacted]  
[redacted] deceased. Education - 3 years college,  
University of Chicago. Admits sit-in at County  
Court House, Alabama State College [redacted]

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By communication dated June 12, 1961, the Albany Office advised as follows:

Individuals listed hereinafter have been identified by sources at Cornell University as Freedom Riders, who are leaving Ithaca, New York, on June 12, 1961, for Nashville, Tennessee, to attend CORE workshop there prior to acting as Riders. All are Cornell students.

Established Cornell sources have furnished identifying and background information concerning each as set out below.

[redacted] born [redacted] at [redacted] Pennsylvania, admitted to Cornell as undergraduate from Forest Hills High School in [redacted] Parent - [redacted] Home address - [redacted] New York.

[redacted] born [redacted] at [redacted] New York, admitted to Cornell as undergraduate from Kingswood High School, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, in September, [redacted] presently a graduate student. Parent [redacted] Home address [redacted] Michigan.

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Captain [ ] Detective Bureau, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that the following individuals were tried in Jackson Municipal Court at Jackson, Mississippi at 3:00 p.m., June 16, 1961:



He stated that all of the above individuals were tried for violation of Section 2087.5 of the Mississippi Code. All entered pleas of not guilty through their attorney, [ ] Jackson. Captain [ ] was the only witness called for the prosecution. No defense witnesses were called. All defendants were convicted and sentenced to four months in jail and fined \$200. According to [ ] some of the defendants would be transferred to the Hinds County Jail to serve out their sentences and fines, and some would be housed in the Jackson City Jail to assist the Sheriff in overcoming crowded facilities at the County Jail.

[ ] advised that there were no incidents during the course of the trial.

On 6/16/61 at Jackson, Miss. File # 157-307  
by SA HUNTER E. HELGESON /dfs Date dictated 6/23/61

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On June 21, 1961, Deputy Sheriff [redacted] Hinds County Sheriff's Office, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that on June 21, 1961 Freedom Rider [redacted] had been released on \$500 cash appeal bond. According to [redacted] [redacted] would depart Jackson via Delta Airlines at 2:20 p.m. to arrive at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 7:26 p.m., June 21, 1961.

On June 23, 1961, Sheriff J. ROBERT GILFOY, Hinds County Sheriff's Office, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that the following Freedom Riders were transferred from the Jackson City Jail and the Hinds County Jail to the Mississippi State Penitentiary, Parchman, Mississippi, on June 23, 1961:

[redacted]

FBI

Date: July 12, 1961

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FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-264)

DATE 10-19-2009 BY 60324 UC BAW/SAB/STW

SUBJECT: FREEBUS

FREEDOM RIDERS MISC

County Prosecuting Attorney, JACK A. TRAVIS, JR., Jackson, Mississippi, advised SA SAMUEL E. VIRDEN, II that he plans to be in Washington D. C. on Friday, July 14, 1961 on personal business and may possibly stop by the Department of Justice to visit with Mr. BURKE MARSHALL. This is furnished for the Bureau's information in view of Bureau's interest in this matter.

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Approved: *[Signature]*

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Dickinson, Texas

Dear

I have received your letter dated July 14, 1961,  
with its enclosure.

Your interest in communicating with me and your  
kind remarks concerning the FBI are indeed appreciated.

I am enclosing two items of literature which  
may like to read.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

Enclosures (2)

- 2 - New York (Enclosures - 4)
- 2 - Houston (Enclosures - 4)

ATTENTION: SACs, NEW YORK AND HOUSTON

There are enclosed two copies each of correspondent's  
letter and its enclosure for New York and Houston. Bufiles  
contain no identifiable references to the correspondent.  
Bufiles reveal that [redacted] freedom rider  
who was arrested in Jackson, Mississippi, on June 2, 1961,  
when he attempted to test integration of bus station facilities  
in that city. (157-387-433)

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NOTE TO SACs, NEW YORK AND HOUSTON, CONTINUED

Houston should make a check of office indices for references concerning [REDACTED] and furnish any pertinent subversive information to the New York Office.

The New York Office should make an appropriate check of its files on [REDACTED] and, thereafter, be guided by current Bureau instructions concerning security investigations of individuals.

The following items of literature were sent to the correspondent:

1. "What You Can do to Fight Communism and Preserve America."
2. Director's Statement Dated April 17, 1961, Regarding Internal Security.

Dickinson, Texas  
July, 14, 1961

J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. D.

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Dear Mr. Hoover,

*Freedom Riders - Drive*

In the enclosed picture (cut out of our July 13th Houston Chronicle), you will see a man named [redacted]

[redacted] comes from my old home town of [redacted] His older brother [redacted]

[redacted] would be attending a [redacted] was one of my dear childhood friends. [redacted]

My aunt in [redacted] informed me several years ago that [redacted] had been back home spouting off his Communistic beliefs and almost broke his mother's heart.

Mr. Hoover, it was published in our newspaper that the Attorney general gave these freedom riders his blessing. I said when the freedom-riders, sit-in and stand-in demonstrators began their drives that the Communists were behind all this. I am all the more sure of this fact after seeing [redacted] picture in the newspaper.

The Attorney General and the President would do well to investigate any movement by any race or organization before they give it their blessing.

Mr. Hoover, let me say at this time what a great patriot you are and also the men in your organization. I don't believe anyone in our great country can praise the Federal Bureau of Investigation highly enough.

Sincerely,

[redacted]  
[redacted]

Dickinson, Texas

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U.P.I. Telephoto

**"RIDER" IS KISSED**—Back in New York City, Price Chatham is kissed by his wife, Gina, as their son, Rhys, looks on under a welcome home sign at Idlewild Airport. Chatham arrived Wednes-

day from Jackson, Miss., where he and a number of other "freedom riders" were jailed. Chatham said he went on a 24-day hunger strike in jail and lost 20 pounds.

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TO, DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, KNOXVILLE  
FROM, SAC, MEMPHIS //157-140// /1P/

FREEBUS, RM. RE RICHMOND TELETYPE TO BUREAU, KNOXVILLE AND  
OTHER OFFICES JULY FIFTEEN LAST RE INTENDED ARRIVAL OF FIVE  
FREEDOM RIDERS, MISCELLANEOUS KNOXVILLE, TENN., JULY FIFTEEN LAST AND OF  
THEIR ULTIMATE DESTINATION TO CHATTANOOGA, TENN. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED THIS DATE THAT CONVENTION OF DIXIE  
KLANLS HELD [REDACTED]

SOME OF THOSE PRESENT DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF FOLLOWING  
ABOVE FREEBUS RIDERS IF AND WHEN THEY LEFT CHATTANOOGA AND  
TALKED AS THOUGH SOME UNIDENTIFIED KLANSMEN WOULD SHOOT AT THE BUS  
WHEN IT PASSED MONTEAGLE PASS. INFORMANT FEELS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] KNOXVILLE THROUGH RACIAL SOURCES ATTEMPT  
TO VERIFY THIS INFORMATION AND WILL AT CHATTANOOGA NOTIFY  
APPROPRIATE LOCAL AUTHORITIES INCLUDING THP. P.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI, AND SAC-S BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS

FROM SAC, KNOXVILLE *Freedom Riders MISCELLANEOUS*

FREE BUS, CHATTANOOGA, TENN., RM. RE KNOXVILLE TELETYPE

TO BUREAU JULY SIXTEENTH LAST AND MEMPHIS TELETYPE TO BUREAU

AND KNOXVILLE JULY SEVENTEENTH LAST. INSPECTOR [REDACTED]

CHATTANOOGA PD, ADVISED CPD INTERVIEWED [REDACTED]

ONE OF THREE NEGRO PASSENGERS, CHATTANOOGA, WHO MET FREEDOM

RIDERS AT CHATTANOOGA, JULY SIXTEENTH LAST, AND WHO WAS

IDENTIFIED IN REFERENCED KNOXVILLE TELETYPE AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REPORTED FREEDOM RIDERS TO SPEND TWO OR THREE

DAYS, CHATTANOOGA, TENN., STAYING IN PRIVATE NEGRO HOMES.

STATED NO MEETINGS OR ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR MONDAY AND

FIRST SCHEDULED MEETING ON TUESDAY NIGHT AT SECOND BAPTIST

CHURCH, CHATTANOOGA, WHEN [REDACTED] BIRMINGHAM,

ALA., WILL BE GUEST SPEAKER. PLANS FOR FREEDOM RIDERS'S

TIME OF DEPARTURE AND DESTINATION AFTER CHATTANOOGA

REPORTEDLY UNKNOWN TO [REDACTED] WHO IS ONE OF THREE

LOCAL NEGRO LEADERS RE INSTANT MATTER. FREEDOM RIDERS

ATTENDED SERVICES AT COSMOPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH, NEGRO,

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., NIGHT JULY SIXTEENTH LAST. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ONE OF ORIGINAL FREEDOM RIDERS

INTO JACKSON, MISS., MAY SIXTYONE. NEWSPAPERS REPORT TWENTY SPECTATORS GATHERED AT BUS TERMINAL ON ARRIVAL OF FREEDOM RIDERS AND NO INCIDENT OCCURRED. [REDACTED] REPORTED THAT WITHOUT COUNTING REPRESENTATIVES OF NEWS MEDIA, LESS THAN TEN INDIVIDUALS AT BUS STATION IN ADDITION TO REGULAR TRANSIENT PASSENGERS. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] BOTH IN ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL MEETING, DK KKKK, INC., CHATTANOOGA, TENN., [REDACTED]

BOTH STATED ALTHOUGH FREEDOM RIDERS HAD JUST ARRIVED CHATTANOOGA DURING PERIOD OF MEETING, NO COMMENTS WERE MADE IN THEIR PRESENCE RE FREEDOM RIDERS. ALSO STATED NO COMMENTS MADE THEIR PRESENCE RE ANY PLANNED ACT OF VIOLENCE OR DEMONSTRATIONS RELATING TO FREEDOM RIDERS OR OTHER ACTIVITIES. THP AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES WILL BE FURNISHED INFO REFERENCED MEMPHIS TELETYPE.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS LITTLE ROCK, MEMPHIS, NEW YORK  
NEWARK.

FROM SAC KNOXVILLE 157-130

*Freedom Riders -*

FREE BUS. RM. OO NEWARK. RE RICHMOND TEL TODAY. *MISCELLANEOUS*

RIDERS, FIVE IN NUMBER, ARRIVED KNOXVILLE, TENN. FIVE TEN P. M. EST  
TODAY. NO INCIDENTS REPORTED IN PASSAGE THROUGH TENN. TOWNS. REPORTED  
RIDERS ATTEMPTED TO ENTER RESTAURANT AT ELIZABETHTON, TENN. BUS  
TERMINAL AND WERE REFUSED SERVICE AND LEFT WITHOUT INCIDENT. KNOXVILLE  
POLICE AUTHORITIES ADVISE NO INCIDENTS ON ARRIVAL KNOXVILLE. ADVISED  
NO CROWD PRESENT BUS STATION AND RIDERS MET BY TWO LOCAL NEGRO  
MINISTERS AND INTERVIEWED BY ONE REPORTER. RIDERS ATE IN INTEGRATED  
TRAILWAYS BUS STATION RESTAURANT. POLICE AUTHORITIES ADVISED ALL  
FIVE RIDERS STAYING DOGAN-GAITHER MOTEL, A NEGRO MOTEL, KNOXVILLE,  
AND REPORTED PLANNED TO LEAVE FOR CHATTANOOGA SEVEN TEN A. M. VIA  
TRAILWAYS BUS SUNDAY JULY SIXTEEN. KNOXVILLE UNABLE ARRANGE DISCRETE  
AND CONFIDENTIAL CONTACT [REDACTED] BUT ATTEMPTS WILL BE MADE TO  
INTERVIEW HIM AT CHATTANOOGA. NEWARK FURNISH INTERESTED OFFICES  
ANY ADDITIONAL INFO RECEIVED FROM [REDACTED] CONCERNING RIDERS  
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS LITTLE ROCK, MEMPHIS, NEWARK, & NEW YORK  
FROM SAC KNOXVILLE 157-130 2 PAGES

FREE BUS, RM. RE KNOXVILLE TEL JULY FIFTEEN LAST.

CONTACTED CONFIDENTIALLY BY KNOXVILLE AND ADVISED

PLAN TO CONTINUE ON THEIR TRIP TO CHATTANOOGA. HE STATED THEY WOULD  
PROBABLY BE IN CHATTANOOGA A COUPLE OF DAYS AND THEN WILL PROCEED  
SOMEWHERE ELSE BUT PLACE NOT YET DECIDED. [REDACTED] WILL BE  
CONTACTED [REDACTED] FOR FUTURE ITINERARY IF CONTACT CAN BE MADE  
DISCREETLY AND CONFIDENTIALLY. HE STATED THEY HAD CHANGED THEIR  
PLANS TO TRAVEL TO CHATTANOOGA VIA TRAILWAY BUS AND INTENDED TO TAKE  
GREYHOUND BUS FOR CHATTANOOGA. KNOXVILLE POLICE AUTHORITIES ADVISED  
RIDERS DEPARTED ON TWO BUSES, BOTH BOUND FOR CHATTANOOGA, LEAVING  
KNOXVILLE AT TWELVE TWENTY PM AND TWELVE THIRTY PM. NO INCIDENTS  
REPORTED WHILE IN KNOXVILLE. INSPECTOR [REDACTED] CHATTANOOGA,  
TENN. PD, ADVISED FIVE FREEDOM RIDERS ARRIVED CHATTANOOGA GREYHOUND  
BUS STATION THIS PM. [REDACTED] ARRIVED APPROX. FOUR PM AND FOUR

OTHERS ARRIVED APPX. FOUR THIRTY PM. ALL ATE AT GREYHOUND BUS

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TERMINAL CAFETERIA AND VISITED THE RESTROOMS. NO INCIDENT OCCURRED AND THEY HAD COMPLETE FREEDOM OF USE OF FACILITIES AT THE TERMINAL. NO LARGE CROWD GATHERED, HOWEVER, NEWS MEDIA, TV, RADIO AND PRESS, ALL HAD REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT. MEMBERS CHATTANOOGA PD DRESSED PLAIN CLOTHES, PRESENT IN CASE TROUBLE DEVELOPED. THEIR SERVICES NOT NEEDED. GROUP MET BY LOCAL NEGROES INCLUDING [REDACTED]

*TENN.* [REDACTED] DEPARTED BUS STATION PRIVATE CARS [REDACTED] DROVE TO NEGRO RADIO STATION WNOO, INC., CHATTANOOGA, FOR INTERVIEW. PART OF INTERVIEW OVERHEARD DURING WHICH HENRY THOMAS ACTED AS SPOKESMAN. HE URGED FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO END SEGREGATION TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES. SAID THE PURPOSE OF TRIP TO TEST TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES AND IF NO SEGREGATION THEY WOULD MOVE TO ANOTHER STATION, IF REFUSED SERVICE, PLANNED TO REMAIN AT STATION, IF ARRESTED, WOULD OFFER NO RESISTANCE, REFUSE BAIL AND CONTEST CASE LEGALLY. TONIGHT WOULD BE GUEST AT SERVICES AT LOCAL NEGRO CHURCH. FUTURE PLANS NOT COMMENTED ON DURING PART OF RADIO INTERVIEW OVERHEARD AND UNKNOWN TO [REDACTED] ACTIVITIES WILL BE FOLLOWED AND BUREAU KEPT ADVISED.

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TO SACN MEMPHIS  
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FROM DIRECTOR FBI

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OF FREEDOM RIDERS FROM MEMPHIS TO LITTLE ROCK JULY TWENTY. BOTH  
OFFICES IMMEDIATELY ADVISE APPROPRIATE LOCAL AND STATE LAW  
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND KEEP BUREAU CURRENTLY ADVISED OF ALL  
DEVELOPMENTS.

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